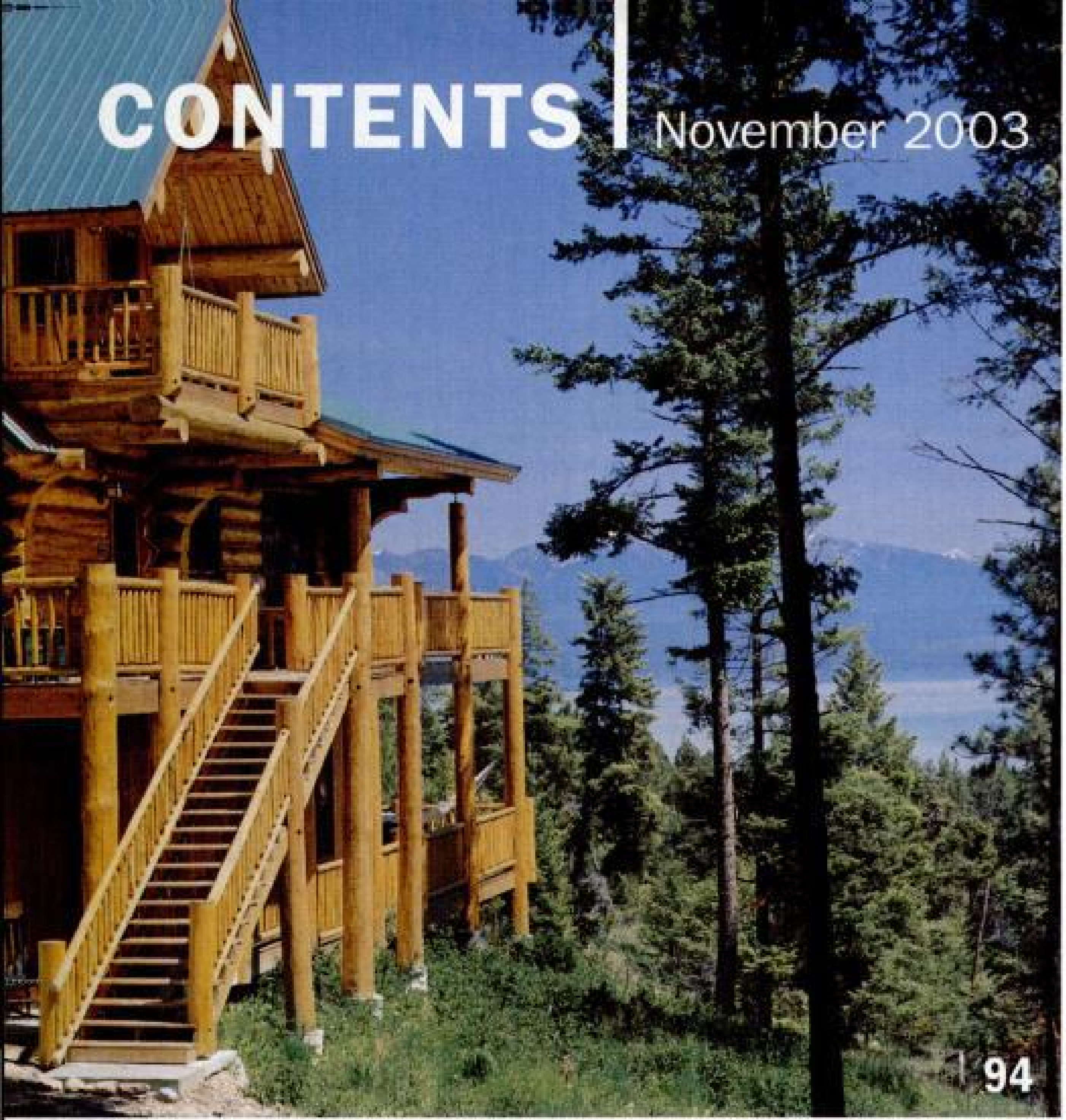

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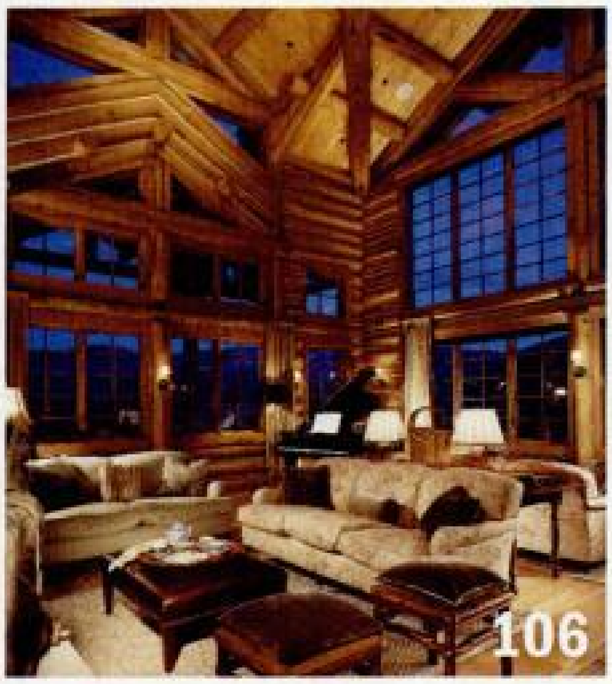
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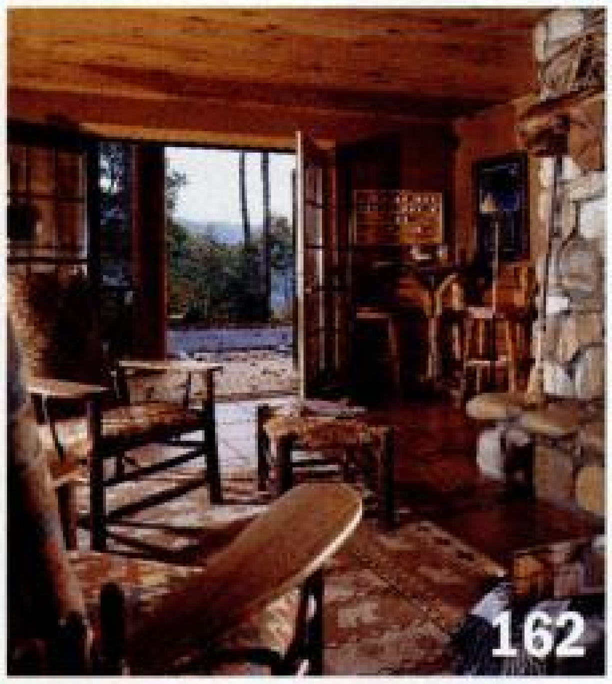
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An elegant entry accented with full log beams creates a grand first impression. For more information about this home, turn to page 130. Custom Log Homes and Ellis Nunn & Associates photo by Roger Wade.

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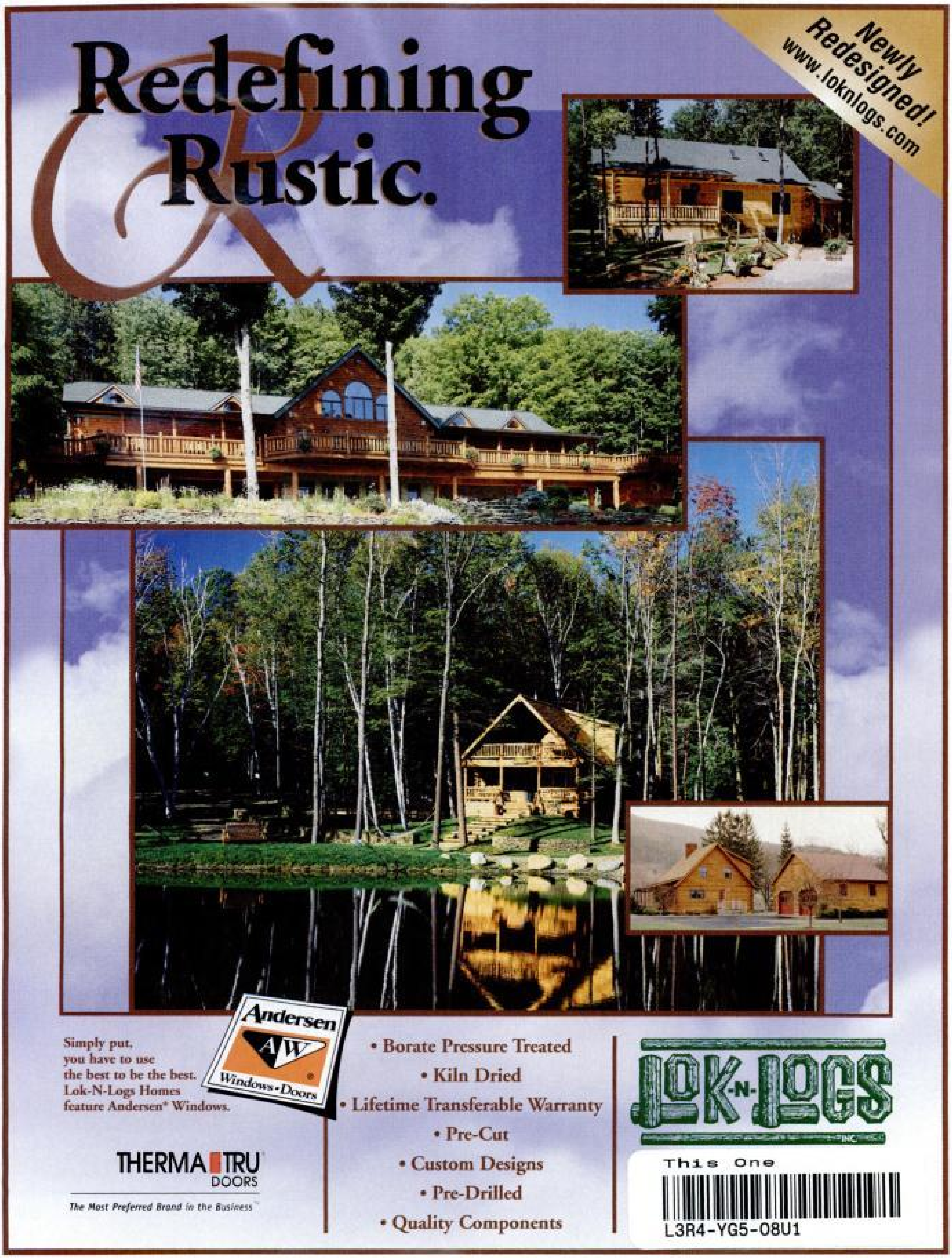
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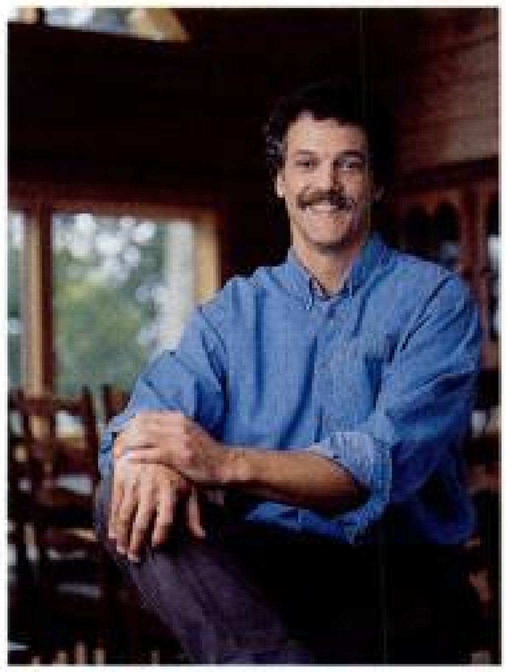
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EDITOR'S NOTE By Kevin Ireland



Earlier this year, my wife and I went car shopping to replace her old minivan with an economical SUV we could take on the beach and back roads. We trudged through dealerships, test-drove vehicles and listened to sales pitch after sales pitch. After the second or third one, something occurred to me: Few of these salespeople really knew their product.

Oh, they could talk in general ways about features, options, gas mileage and such. But ask them a technical question and they could offer little more than what we would have gotten by reading a sales brochure.

I thought about that experience recently when I took a special tour with a group of executives from log home companies across the country. Over three days, we visited several model homes in North Carolina, a couple log home manufacturing facilities and a beautiful mountainside log home community. The conversations we had and the questions and observations they offered proved they have a clear understanding of every aspect of the log home industry. But more than that, these men and women showed they have a passion for the homes they build and a true love for their work.

Those are rare traits in the marketplace these days. Just think about it: When was the last time you bought something—be it a car, a TV or any other piece of merchandise—from a person who really understood and was enthusiastic about what he or she was selling? And when, if ever, have you bought something from a person who designed the product, harvested the raw materials and built it?

That's what you get when you deal with people in the log home industry. From the sales reps to the owners, these folks are closer to the product stream than those who sell most anything else. Since they're familiar with the properties of logs, building systems and other aspects of log home construction, they can offer well-reasoned and honest answers when you ask the dozens of questions that are sure to come up while planning your custom house.

This month in our Annual Buyer's Guide, you have the opportunity to see many of the products the folks from these log home companies proudly sell. As you view the ads and floorplans, I hope you get the sense I do that these are not only special homes, they're designed by special people who share your love for nature, for the outdoors and most especially, for log home living.

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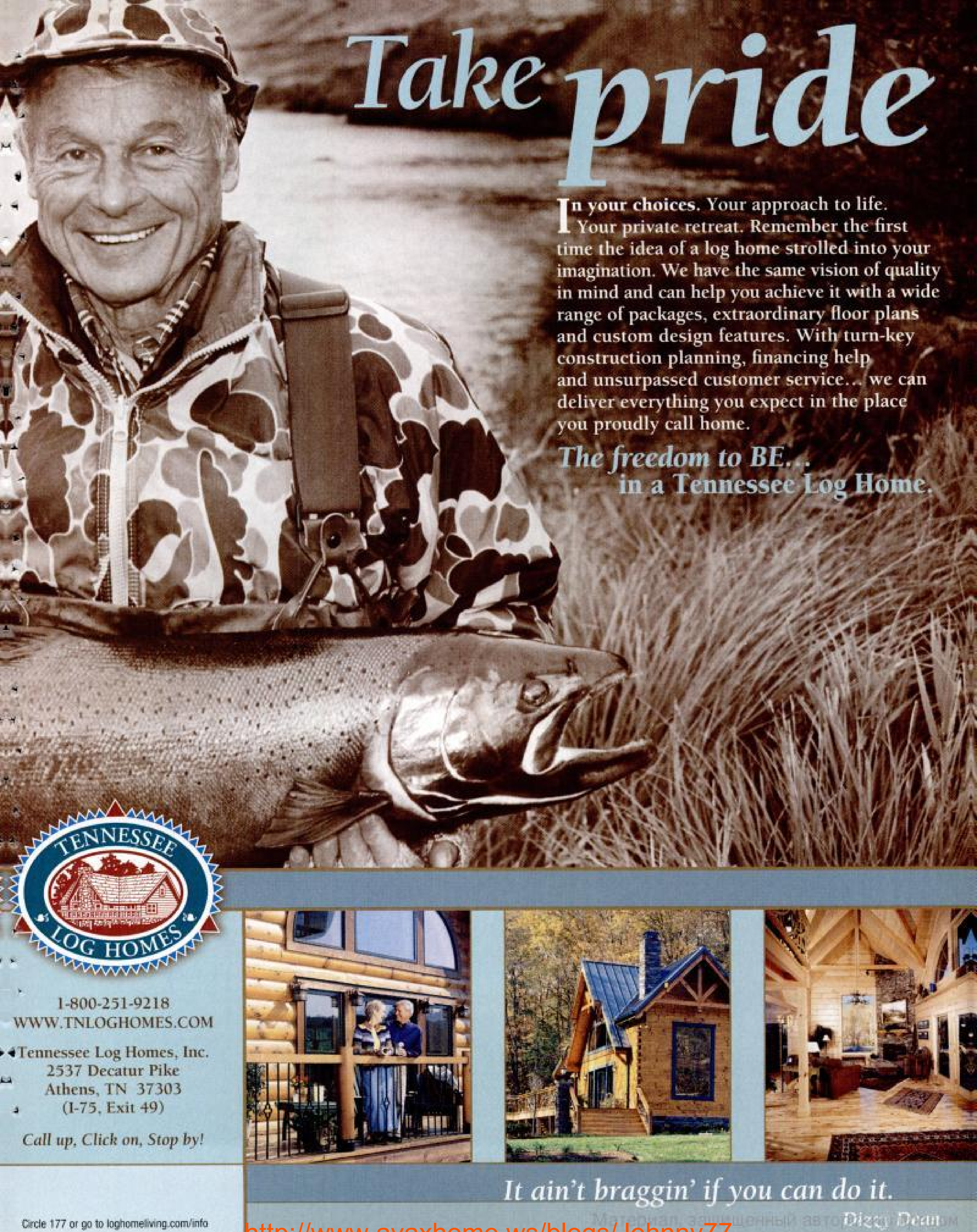
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Urban-Suburban Living

We live in a rural community of more than 2,000 people. The town is called Fryeburg, Maine, and its rich history includes authentic Victorian homes. We owned one of these older homes, which we lovingly restored during the last 20 years.

One day, our dear friend, Susie, invited my family to come see her home about 25 minutes outside our village. She had a secluded tract of land on a pond with wonderful mountain views. We went to visit her that evening and we were all amazed by what we saw. Susie had just completed her custom-built log home. Every inch was warm, cozy and made us feel so protected. But although Suzie could sit on her porch watching the loons on the pond and the fox and deer meandering through her yard, we knew that with a young family, it was just not the location for us. We needed a spot in town that was wooded and secluded.

Well, about three years ago, that dream came true. And the irony of it was that it was right in our backyard—literally. Our former home was set on 2 acres on a village street. There were houses on each side and in front of us and the backyard was all wooded. Our neighborhood owned this private plot and beyond that was another 12 or so acres of wooded grounds. Finally, one of the homes on Main Street with the 12 acres went up for sale. When the owner decided to sell the house separately from the land, we bought the land.

For the next year, we combed every log home publication to get ideas of what we would do. My husband is a builder and decided he would enlist the expertise of your magazine for suggestions. With the help of yours and other publications, we began our quest of building a log home *(left and above)*.

We got so many ideas for our home from your publication and we hope that you like it. It would be nice to know that we could contribute a little to your great publication.

The Leavitt Family
Fryeburg, Maine

Building Inspiration

Just a couple of days ago, I was working in my front yard, raking and cleaning up a bit. An elderly woman stopped to talk to me about our log home. Most of her questions were the normal ones: Who built the home? Was it a kit? Do we like it? What she also told me was that her husband had recently passed away and that it had always been their dream to live in a log home. Now that he is gone, she has decided to go ahead and finish their dream. She was only getting started, but I had plenty of encouragement for this lady.

I couldn't believe how many people said to me, "We've always wanted a log home." If you want it bad enough, you will make it happen.

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The first thing I told her she should do is to subscribe to **Log Home Living**. I told her that your magazine has plenty of ideas and she could make a list of the things that she likes. Also, it would give her leads to suppliers and builders. The main reason I am writing to you is this: Anyone who has a dream of living in a log home, don't put it off. While we were building our 2,800-square-foot log home, I couldn't believe how many people said to me, "We've always wanted a log home." If you want it bad enough, you will make it happen.

My wife and I knew that we could not afford to have a log home built. So we did it ourselves. So many people are overwhelmed by the size of a project like building a home. I kept it simple by doing what I had to do that day and worrying about tomorrow when it got there. My point is that if you want a log home, go for it!

Steve Hissong
Bellville, Ohio

Model Dream

I enjoy **Log Home Living** magazine immensely. I have learned so much that I plan on building my own log home in the future. Until then, I am building a scale model of my 2,600-square-foot floorplan design with 1/8- and 1/4-inch dowel rods. I have a walkout basement, which is the main entertainment area, three baths and two bedrooms. The office in the basement can quickly be converted into a guest room. Oh, and don't forget the spiral staircase and three fireplaces. Keep up the excellent work!

Samuel Belcher
Adrian, Michigan

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Which way should I orient my home?

Question: After reading your recent Brass Tacks column about energy savings (March 2003), I have a question about orientation. I am building a log home in South Carolina. I plan to face the house southward with the great room looking out to the west, but your article suggests that facing it eastward would maximize natural light.

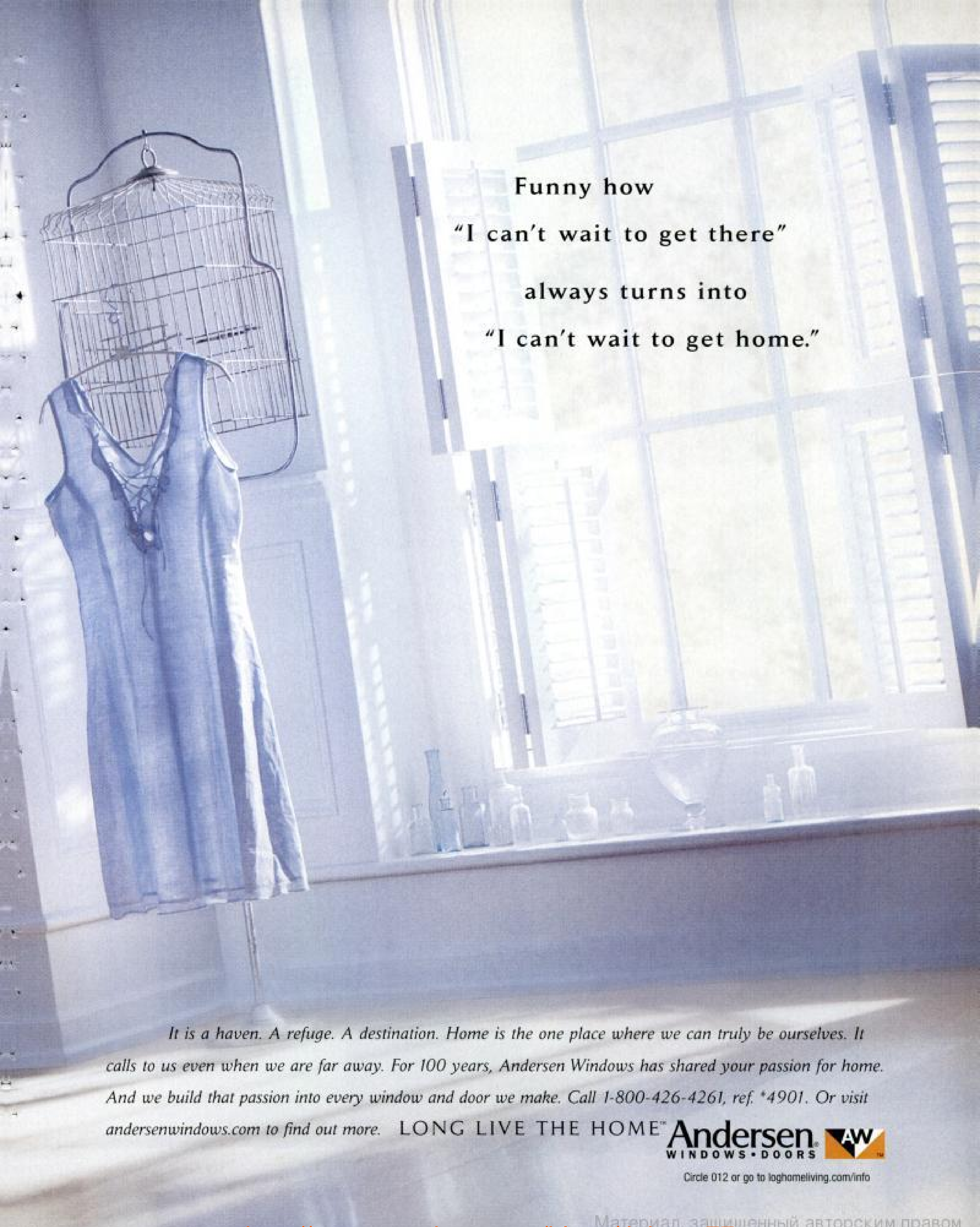
To the east is an open area of rock and clay that will some day become my neighbors' property and the road, though I am 500 feet or so back from them and well secluded. To the west and north the ground gently descends to a creek. To my way of thinking, facing the great room west would give some drama to the view from the room and the porch and deck areas outside. Do you think I should move the great room to the east side?

Dean Grant, via e-mail

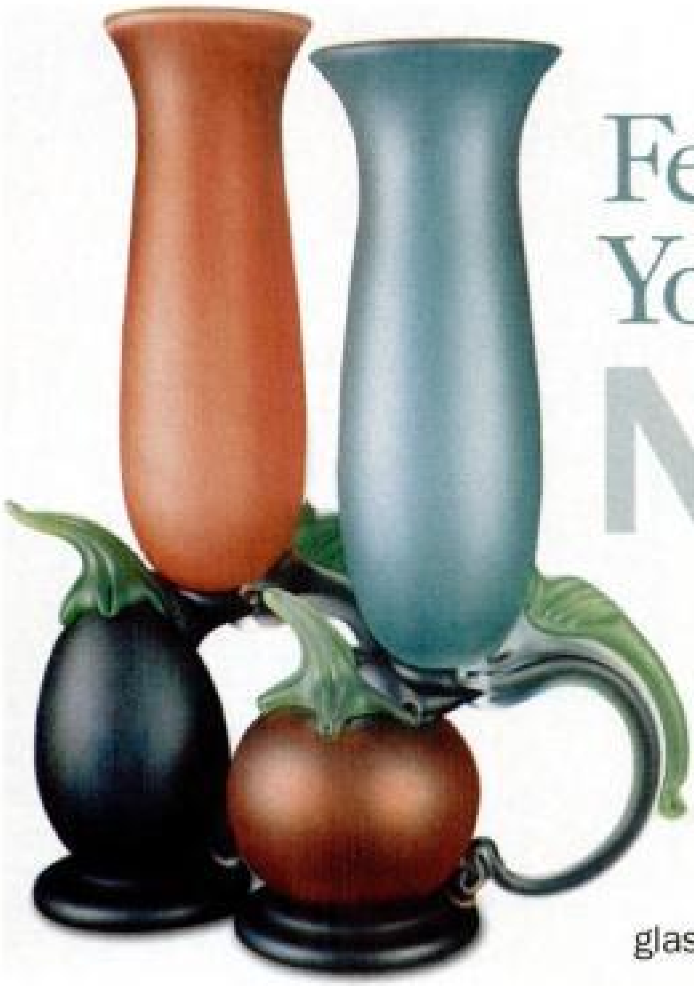
Answer: *(Columnist Jim Cooper responds.)* Your instincts are correct. The reason for ranking east above west in house orientation is a matter of energy efficiency. Studies show that other than the north wall, the west wall faces the greatest energy loss. However, I don't think the difference in energy efficiency is sufficient to justify losing the benefit of a view or privacy. Probably the worst example I ever saw of ignoring site aesthetics was a house placed atop a 300-foot bluff along the Missouri River with a spectacular view of the river and floodplain. The owner ignored the view in favor of facing the street. The view was visible only from one small window in the side door.


Let me see if I got this straight. You want to finance a home made of *logs*?




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Wall hangings at the castle Vaux le Vicomte are the inspiration behind Pierre Deux's November hanging tapestry. Framed in a golden border, the detailed bouquet of jewel-toned flowers that lies within a field of rich crimson makes a dramatic statement against a log wall's tawny backdrop. Call 888-743-7732 or visit www.pierredeux.com for information.



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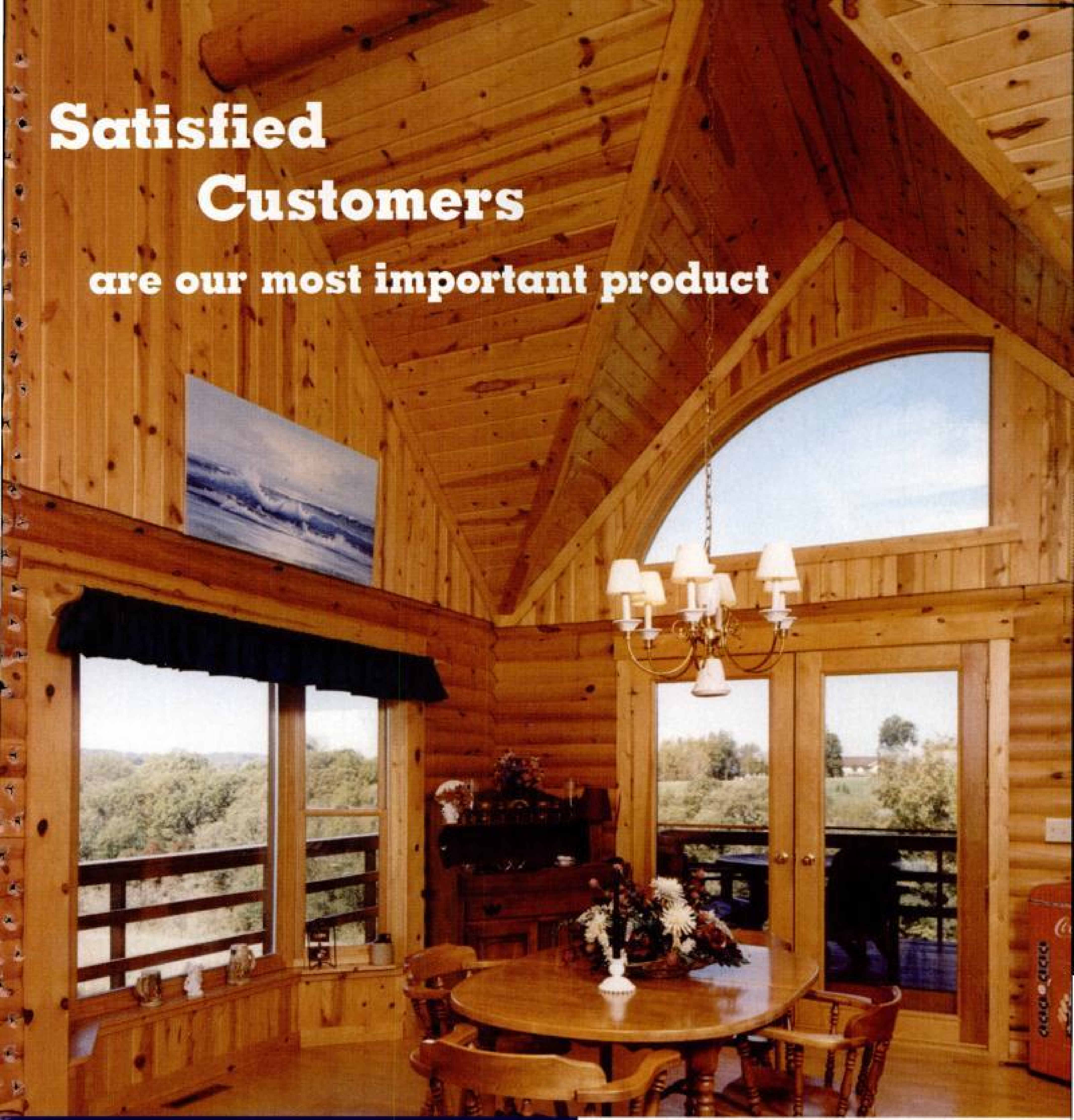
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Bathroom fixture manufacturer Neo Metro is following suit with its Cerine Collection. Pictured at left is part of the bath suite consisting of commode, tub and vanity *(not shown)*, which combines cool stainless steel with the warm tones of bamboo for a contemporary rugged look.

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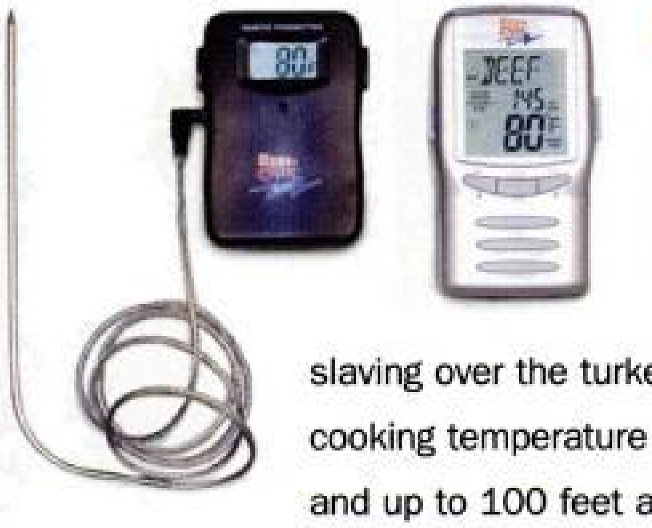




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Dream Weavers

Finding the right log producer



GASTINEAU LOG HOMES PHOTO

In days gone by, people had to rely on their own skills, perhaps with the help of a neighbor, to build a log home. They cut down the trees, roughed out a floorplan and set each log in place. But as a modern log home owner, you don't have to go it alone—unless you choose to. Companies called log producers will help you create a house plan, select a log home package and help get your house built. Because producers understand the nuances of log home construction, they are well equipped to take your dream from blueprint to reality.

Log home producers are separated into two categories, manufacturers and handcrafters, based on the methods they use to craft their logs.

Manufacturers represent a larger segment of the log home industry. These producers use mechanized saws and planers to cut and shape their logs to uniform sizes. But don't confuse this uniformity with a lack of uniqueness in the results; while the logs are precision-milled, the finished homes look very different from one another because of the wide variety of log profiles and corner styles that are available. The log profile, or shape, can vary from round to rectangular to square to D-shaped. Some homes have round logs with traditional corners on their exterior, while others have logs that are planed to resemble clapboards. The benefit to all of this diversity is the wide range of possibilities for your home.

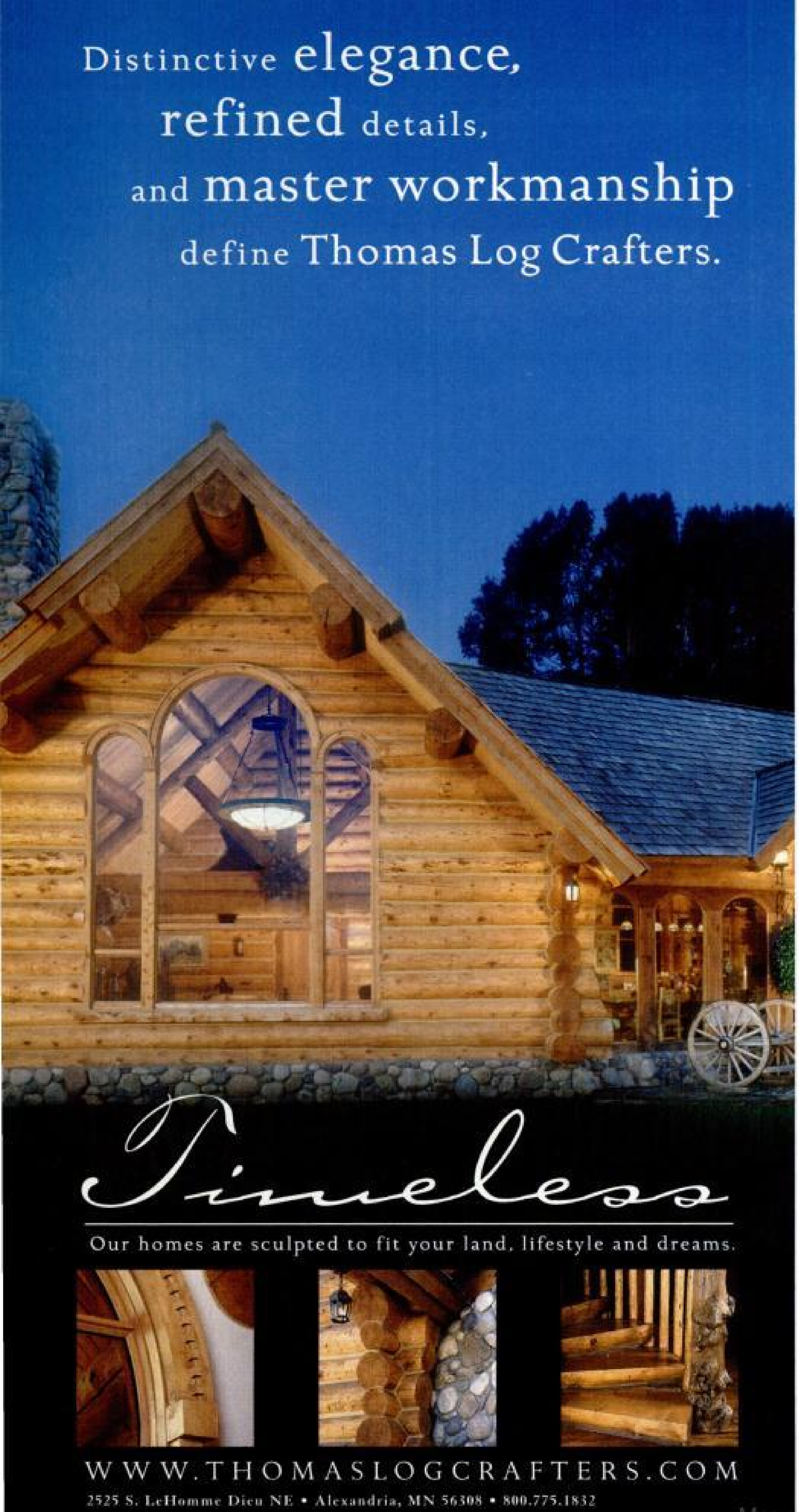
Handcrafted log homes, on the other hand, often showcase timber that has been left fully round on both the interior and exterior of the home. Still, some handcrafted homes feature logs that are hewn square in the traditional Appalachian style. When working on raw logs, handcrafters use either traditional hand tools, such as drawknives, or hand-held power tools, such as chain saws. Because the trunks of trees taper from their narrow tops to wider butt ends, handcrafted logs may be smaller in diameter at one end than the other. The handcrafter accommodates this natural taper by alternating logs during stacking—top to butt, then butt to top—to keep walls level.

A manufacturer usually completes more log homes per year than a handcrafter, who may build just a handful of log shells each year. While some handcrafted log producers turn out a large number of homes each year, the handcrafted method simply does not lend itself to mass production. Most concentrate on crafting the log shell, erecting it on the home owner's site and then working with other subcontractors to integrate wiring and plumbing into the log shell.

Log manufacturers, on the other hand, often maintain both a national headquarters and a network of representatives who sell the manufacturer's log packages. These representatives may also be builders (called "builder-dealers"). They will supervise the construction of the log packages they sell.

The Manufactured Method

Your research of log manufacturers will quickly show you that these national or regional companies develop a master engineering plan with which all their homes comply. This plan,



which becomes the company's building system, details how the manufacturer's components connect to one another and how these parts interact once connected. The building system provides assurance that all the manufacturer's log homes built in accordance with the system will be structurally sound.

Log manufacturers may have their building system evaluated by one or more of the agencies that write United States building codes. (For more information on codes, see "About Building Codes" on page 64.) Once the building system receives approval, the log home company can produce packages to be built in various regions.

What you purchase from a manufacturer is typically a package that contains logs and other materials needed to construct the log shell. The package should include blueprints for the home and a construction manual that shows the builder or general contractor how to assemble the log walls using the building system. Some log packages also contain an array of building materials, such as windows, doors, roofing and lumber, needed to build a complete house. (For more information on packages, see "Package Deal" on page 38.) When the log package is delivered, a log home company representative or an independent builder hired by the home owner should be onsite to accept it and inventory its contents.

Because their reputations depend on it, both builder and log home producer want their homes to be as well-built as possible. To ensure the home's success, the manufacturer's representative usually will visit a job site several times during construction. Some manufacturers will provide builders and owners follow-up help by phone. As you compare log home manufacturers, ask about the types of onsite assistance that are available, and when it comes time to buy, make sure this assistance is spelled out in the sales

contract. Remember that even the most carefully and precisely milled logs won't go together to form a weathertight home if your builder doesn't assemble them according to the manufacturer's system.

If your builder does not have experience erecting your manufacturer's log package, you might research ways the builder could gain relevant expertise (perhaps by attending a log home construction seminar; some companies offer these for free). Otherwise, you will need assistance onsite from the manufacturer to erect your log home.

How long will you wait before your package is delivered? The time required to fulfill an order varies from one manufacturer to another. Once you and your manufacturer complete and approve plans for your home, it will take a few days to prepare the logs for an average-size home. However, during the busy season when the manufacturer is taking many orders at once, delivery time can stretch from weeks to a few months.

Most companies require a refundable deposit when you sign the contract for a log package. Before handing over a check, request a written explanation of the company's deposit-return policy.

How producers charge for their initial payment is yet another variable; those that pre-cut the logs may request most of the bill up front. Most companies require a payment of about half the package price once you approve the design and commit to the project. Typically, the balance of your log package price will be due either before the logs are loaded for delivery or when the trucks arrive at your site for unloading. Construction loans usually are granted in stages, or draws, as payments are due.

You also may incur expenses by having a log home company's design staff create custom blueprints for your home. If, after the plans are drawn, you choose not to use the log home company's design,

THE MANUFACTURED WAY





1. Delivered to the mill and cut into lengths, the logs are ready to begin processing.

2. First step: de-barking the logs

3. Inside the mill, each log's surface is shaped and smoothed, then measured and cut.

4. Once cut, the logs are transported to the logyard.

5. The now-uniform logs (in this case, half-logs) are stacked, awaiting shipment.







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part of your deposit may be kept by the company as payment for the design services they have provided.

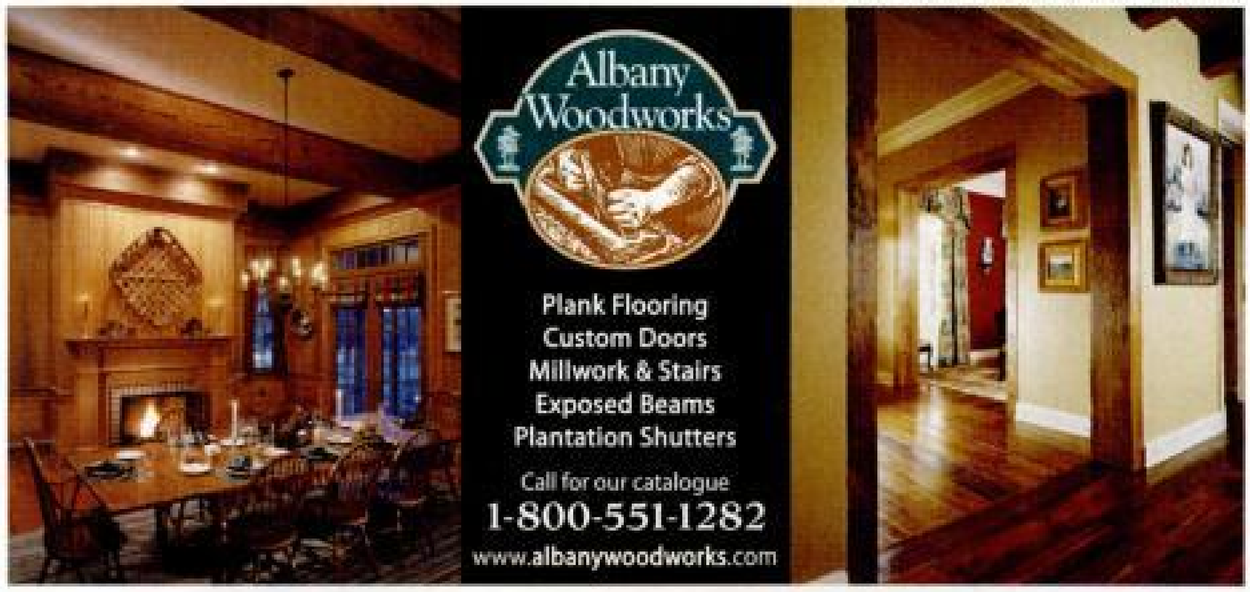
As you explore a variety of producers, you may discover some manufacturers who don't offer log packages, just milled and shaped logs. These producers, who may be affiliated with a sawmill or lumberyard, generally offer few services beyond providing raw, ungraded logs priced by the linear foot. You or your builder will then need to cut, stack and fasten the logs into walls.

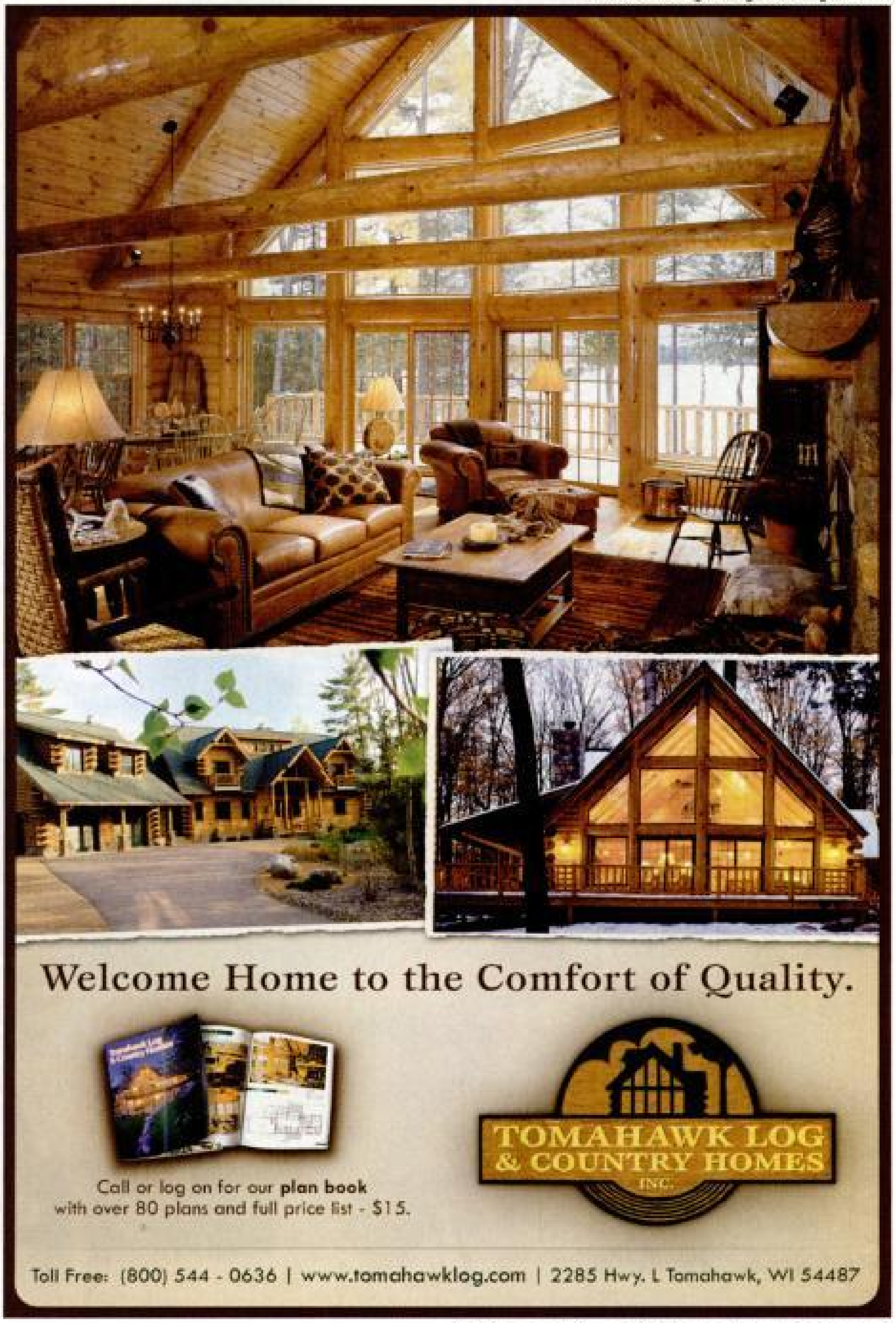
Fashioned by Hand

Log home handcrafters traditionally are smaller operations that produce logs much like settlers did centuries ago. Hand-held tools are used to de-bark, cut and shape each log. While some of these tools—such as chain saws, chippers and sanders—are power-assisted, others are the same kinds of axes, chisels and drawknives that woodworkers and carpenters have used for eons.

Because these craftsmen fashion log shells by hand, most create fewer than 25 homes a year. Some produce just three or four. Handcrafted log homes truly are custom-built. Prior to delivery, the production crew stacks the walls, log by log, on a temporary foundation (or piers) in the handcrafter's yard. As the handcrafters work, logs are cut and notched to fit properly in the log wall.

Unlike manufacturers, who emphasize log uniformity, handcrafters generally select logs that span the full length of a wall, then cut and shape each log to fit one specific location in the home. Once the walls are finished, the logs are numbered to record their exact location in the shell. The walls are dismantled and the logs are trucked to the home site for final assembly. Window and door openings usually--though not always-- are cut into the log walls after they have been erected on the home site.



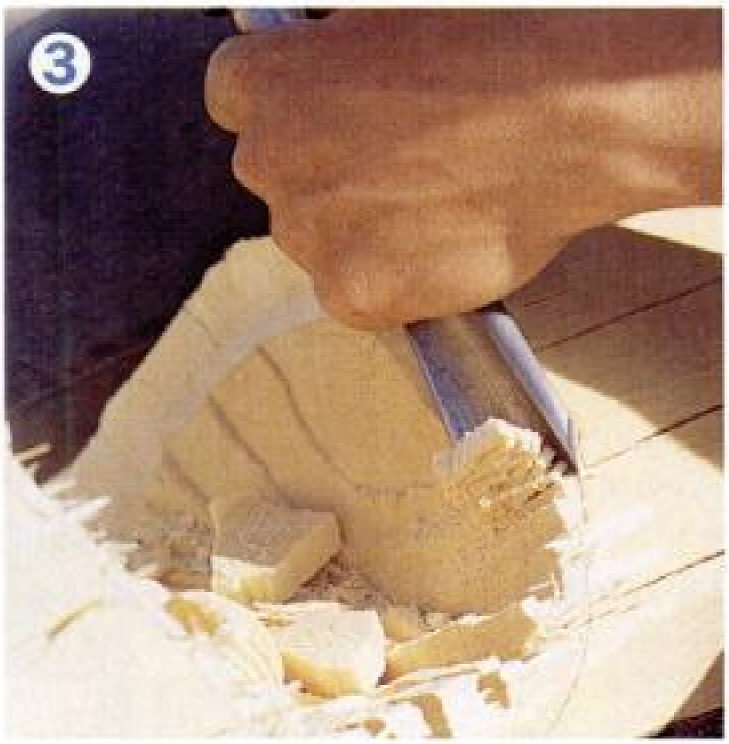


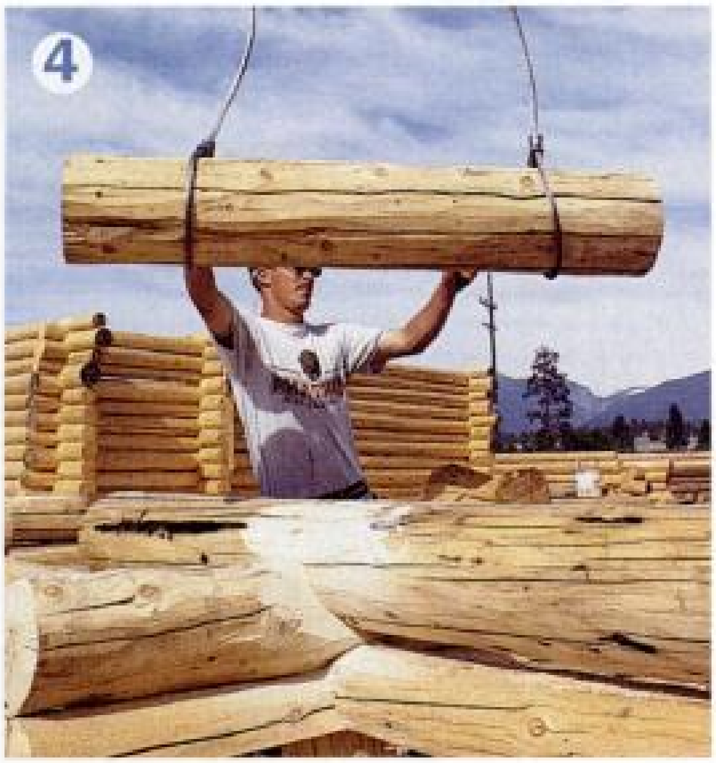
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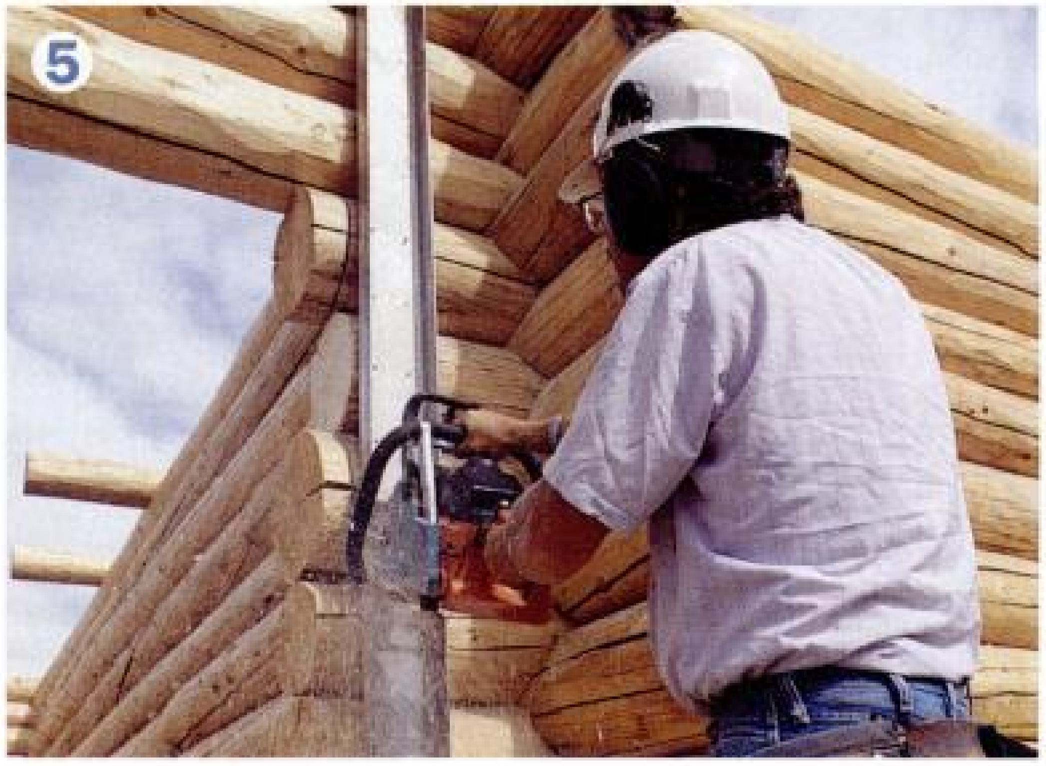
1. Using drawknives, a time-honored tool, handcrafters peel the bark from the logs.
2. Precise measurements ensure that logs are cut for a tight fit.
3. After initial notch cuts are made with a chainsaw, the handcrafter finishes the job by hand.
4. Cranes are used to lift each log into position.
5. Once the shell is assembled, the door and window openings are neatly trimmed.











PIONEER LOG HOMES PHOTOS BY MARK BRYANT

Handcrafters, or logsmiths, view their work as art, and their homes reflect their philosophy. But as log homes become larger and more complex, these artisans increasingly consult engineers and architects to ensure that their homes meet building codes.

If you choose a small handcrafter, you may need to give advance notice ranging from several months to a year to receive your logs on time. Payment terms vary from one company to another. You may need a down payment of roughly one-third of the total when you approve plans for your home. Once work starts, handcrafters may require progress payments. Your final payment may be due before the logs leave the yard, when the logs are erected or when the home is complete. Be sure the terms and methods of payment are clearly outlined in your contract.

Hand-hewn or Milled?

In the United States and Canada, more than 400 manufacturers and handcrafters produce log homes. With so many companies, you'll have to narrow the field to make your selection.

Initially, you can eliminate those producers who simply are not convenient to your site. Deciding on the type of producer you want also will reduce the number of candidates.

As a log home buyer, you will need to evaluate the claims made by producers. The information in this buyer's guide will help you make an informed decision. The Products & Services Guide (page 295) and the Producers Directory (page 310) have detailed information on log home producers, their marketing areas and the products and services they provide, offering you an easy way to compare.

You also may find it valuable to tour a log home producer's plant or office. The staff may offer you the opportunity to buy during your visit, but you should

not feel pressured to sign a contract. Never give a deposit before you read the contract or agreement and understand all refund conditions. The amount of pressure, as well as your overall impression of the producer, is indicative of what it will be like to work with the company.

If you can't travel to the plant, try to visit a sales office or representative's model home. Because you'll work closely with your producer's local representative, it's important that you're comfortable with this individual.

Purchase and study producers' sales materials. They should explain the company's overall philosophy and perhaps reflect the effort that the company puts into developing its homes.

As you proceed in the search process, note a producer's ability to meet its deadlines to you. A conscientious firm will provide floorplans or quotations when promised. If a company can't deliver on time before you make a commitment, that may signal a lack of customer service that could become even more disconcerting later.

Customizing Your Home

After shuffling through a few log home company catalogs, you may come across what seems to be a perfect stock floorplan. Many companies attract customers through interesting floorplans. This doesn't mean you can't make changes; more than 80 percent of log home owners tweak stock plans or sketch their own plans to customize their home.

You might ask questions about the company's design staff. Find out about the designers' training. Taking the time to visit homes that the company's staff designed and produced will give you a feel for the designers' talents. Ask the home owners if they enjoyed working with the company's designers. Did they communicate directly with the design

CHOOSING YOUR BUILDER

Once you have selected the company that will provide your log package, you need to decide who will build your house. This person, or persons, will take your log package, and turn it into a house by adding all of the finishing touches—from top to bottom. Depending on your building experience, you can have the home finished by a building professional or tackle the project yourself. Here are the most popular choices.

Builder-dealers. Many log home producers have a network of representatives, some of whom offer general contracting services. These representatives are often referred to as builder-dealers. If your representative does not build homes, you will need to hire an independent builder or serve as your own.

Builders and general contractors. These independent professionals supervise the construction of your log home from start to finish. Builders usually operate their own construction companies and have their own crew, equipment and trucks. General contractors, on the other hand, hire a fleet of specialized subcontractors to finish a home.

Whether you hire a builder or general contractor, both will obtain permits, schedule inspections and use their buying power as professionals to obtain materials for your project. Choosing the right person to build your home is essential. Therefore, take your time. Collect and compare bids, talk to other home owners and carefully check references before making a selection.

Owner-builders. Because general contractors typically earn a percentage of the total project cost as their pay, some home buyers are able to save money by doing their own general contracting. If you think you have the time, patience and construction expertise to manage these tasks, talk about the process with home owners who served as their own builders. Their advice will be invaluable. You may discover that you could save just as much money—with far fewer hassles—by doing some of the finishing work yourself, such as painting, staining or landscaping, and leaving the rest of the job to a building professional.



FINDING THE RIGHT PRODUCER

Meeting a log home company's representative face-to-face may be the factor that helps you select a producer. You may feel more comfortable asking questions and flipping through plans books with someone to guide you. Here are a few ways to meet log company representatives in your area.

Hands-on workshops. You can discover how log homes are built by attending a workshop at either a log home company or a professional log building school, where you can obtain hands-on experience building with logs.

Educational seminars. To learn how a company designs and builds its log homes, take a class at the producer's shop. A seminar is a great place to get answers to all of your log home questions.

Log raisings. If you've never seen a log home being built, a log raising will offer you a firsthand look at the company's building system, as well as the crew's organizational and communication skills.

Open houses. To check out a log producer's results, head to an open house. If a builder-dealer owns the log home you visit, you'll be able to meet the company's representative and gauge the quality of workmanship from top to bottom.

Regional fairs. Log home producers set up booths at local fairs. For you, these fairs signal which companies have representatives or builder-dealers in your area.

Home shows. If you'd like to meet a variety of log home producers all at once, attend a log home show. You'll be able to pick up brochures, buy plans books, discuss your plans and compare companies—all under one roof.

For a complete listing of events, see the calendar on page 170. To register for a Log Home Living Building Seminar or a Log Home Living & Timber Frame Home Show, call 800-782-1253.

staff, or did the company's representative serve as a liaison? Did their arrangement work well?

The Fine Print

After you have selected your log home producer, ask for written proof that its homes meet or exceed the requirements of the building code in the location where you will build your home. Remember that codes vary from region to region. Many producers already have developed the required engineering analysis to show that their building system meets code. It's standard policy to provide consumers with this documentation.

Read the company's warranty, and ask what the company does when problems arise. If building materials, such as windows, doors or roof shingles, will be included in the package you buy, ask for the warranty offered by the materials' manufacturers. Warranties should specify what problems they cover, how the manufacturer will correct them and what your cost, if any, will be. If you want the assurance of graded logs, double-check that your company offers this service, or arrange to have it provided by a third party.

Take a look at the company's construction manual, and bear in mind the size of each company when comparing manuals. Smaller or newer companies may have less-elaborate construction manuals but still build high-quality homes. These firms may compensate by spending more time providing onsite technical as-





sistance. You also may discover that larger, established companies will provide an excellent manual and a specified number of hours of onsite technical assistance along with their log packages.

Delivery Details

The way a company handles delivery often reveals its organization and experience. Will the producer ship the logs on its own trucks or by common carrier? A driver who regularly delivers for the company may be better able to deliver logs just where and how you need them.

How much notice will you have prior to delivery? This notice is important if you need to pay for equipment or people to unload the logs, or if you have to travel some distance to the building site.

How much time does the producer allow for unloading? After a specified period, you may be charged an hourly fee by the trucking company. Can the materials be unloaded by hand, or will you need mechanical equipment?

Will the logs be numbered, coded or loaded in reverse order so the last ones unloaded will be the first ones used when the walls are erected? That's the most efficient way. Otherwise, each log will require double handling. In the event that delivery is delayed, will the producer agree to pay for the labor and equipment you hire?

Producers' Pricing

Because log package contents vary considerably, comparing prices can be difficult. To maintain consistency and accuracy as you compare price quotes, be certain to submit the same floorplan and specifications for finishes and fixtures to each log home producer that you're considering. By using this same data, you'll be off to a good start in choosing the producer best suited to build the home of your dreams. ■


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Package Deal

How to compare the many variations of log home packages to find the one that's perfect for you.



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The key to any successful purchase, whether you are buying a TV, a car or a home, is knowing as much as possible about the product before you lay out your money. With log home packages, that is particularly important because what's included in a package differs from company to company.

How many options are there? Almost an infinite amount. The reality is, no two log packages are the same. That means it's crucial that you are aware of the variables so you can fairly compare packages—and factor in costs for items that might not be included in the package you like. That way, when you finally get to the bottom line, the package price is a deal maker not a deal breaker.

Details, Details

Would-be log home owners know at least one thing when they start the building process: they want to build with logs. This is just the first step, though, and you need to educate yourself on the details of each log package before making the best choice for your home.

The first step is just figuring out what a log package is. The industry defines it as a group of building materials that a log producer has combined to offer to consumers. This can range from just enough materials to build the basic shell of the home, to all the materials and fixtures necessary to finish the home.

Almost every producer will offer one or more log home packages with varying contents and costs. Their goal is to help streamline the purchasing process, but it can be challenging to compare packages because there is no industry standard. That's why understanding the details of each one is so important.

All Inclusive and Not at All

In general, there are three levels of packages: basic, weather-tight and complete kits.

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GOING THE HANDCRAFTER ROUTE

Log handcrafters, like log manufacturers, also offer log packages, though they are usually limited to the materials needed to construct and erect the log shell. Now, some handcrafters are expanding their packages to include porch and roof systems, while others offer the whole she-bang. You'll also find handcrafters offer in-house design services.

One nicety of dealing with handcrafters: The company usually sends the same crew that cut and erected the shell in their logyard to re-erect the log shell on your foundation. This will cut down on the amount of time needed to re-erect the shell, so you'll save on labor costs.

build a log home if you intend to hire a local builder to erect the walls and finish out the house, or you plan to act as an owner-builder doing much of the work yourself and subcontracting some of it out.

The next level, the weathertight package, is comprised of the items that you'd get in the basic package, plus materials to make the house safe from the elements. Essentially, weathertight packages provide everything you need to complete the outside of the house and put it under roof. A weathertight package is a good option if you have the time to be involved with some, but not all of the work. You get more of the materials needed to complete the home, but you still have the option of hiring a builder or doing some of the work yourself. Also, you have the option to find materials that are more cost-effective for your budget.

A LOG FOR EVERY OCCASION

Log home producers are always seeking innovative ways to improve on what nature has to offer. That's why there are these other options for creating the look of log walls in your home:

Glue-laminated logs have all the benefits of the aesthetic appeal of log homes with few of the challenges associated with shrinkage, checking and twisting that are part of the full-log systems. Sometimes referred to as engineered lumber, these glu-lam logs are created by gluing together lengths of kiln-dried dimensional lumber. The resulting product is then milled into a log profile.

By using less expensive tree species on the inside and more expensive, premium woods on the outside layers of the glu-lam logs, producers can create log wall systems that are more cost-effective.

Log siding provides a viable alternative to full logs for those on a budget. Often offered by the same companies that produce full-log systems, log siding can be used to transform the interiors and exteriors of a conventional home. To cut costs, log siding can also be used on second-story exteriors, gable ends, dormers and garages. The siding matches your full-log style, including your profile and corner style. Plus, log siding shrinkage is minimal, which makes it easier to maintain than solid log walls.

Insulated log wall systems are popular in northern climates because the insulation helps control heating costs. Often these packages employ log siding fastened to conventional stud frame walls. The siding, available in a variety of profiles, can be used on both the inside and outside of the home; or interiors can be a mix of log siding, drywall or other materials. Fiberglass or foam insulation fills the wall cavities, enabling these homes to achieve insulation R-ratings ranging from 28 to 40.

For producers that offer glu-lam logs, log siding or insulated wall systems, see our Products & Services Guide on page 295, under "log type."

—Charles Bevier





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SAMPLE MATERIALS LIST



When you order a log package, the producer indicates the items on a materials packing list or a bill of materials. Although the contents vary somewhat from manufacturer to manufacturer, there are a core group of items you can expect to see in most packages. This materials list and illustration for a package supplied by Satterwhite Log Homes shows how detailed this list can be.

1. Concrete slab foundation (within 300 miles radius of Longview, Texas)
2. Roughed-in plumbing (some restrictions)
3. Double bead polyurethane caulking for vapor barrier
4. 4"x30# Tarpaper vapor barrier
5. 1/2" x 14" Anchor bolts
6. Engelmann spruce/ Lodgepole pine house logs
7. 9" or 11" Log Hog screws with spike reinforcements
8. Roughed-in electrical (log walls only)
9. Insulated aluminum windows
10. Exterior entry doors (log walls only)
11. 2 x 4 Rough cedar exterior window and door trim
12. 4 x 6 Rough cedar porch posts, bracing and girder
13. 2 x 4 Rough cedar porch railing (where applicable)
14. 2 x 6 Rough cedar porch rafters
15. Rough cedar birdblock
16. 5/8" T1-11 Exterior plywood decking exposed
17. Engineered roof trusses or conventional framed roof structure
18. 5/8" CD plywood decking
19. 15# Tarpaper
20. 250# Fiberglass base composition shingles
21. Rough cedar shingle mold
22. 1 x 12 Rough cedar board and batt gable ends
23. Rough cedar barge rafters and lookouts
24. Rough cedar louvered attic ventilation
25. Interior partition framing

Applicable if two-story:

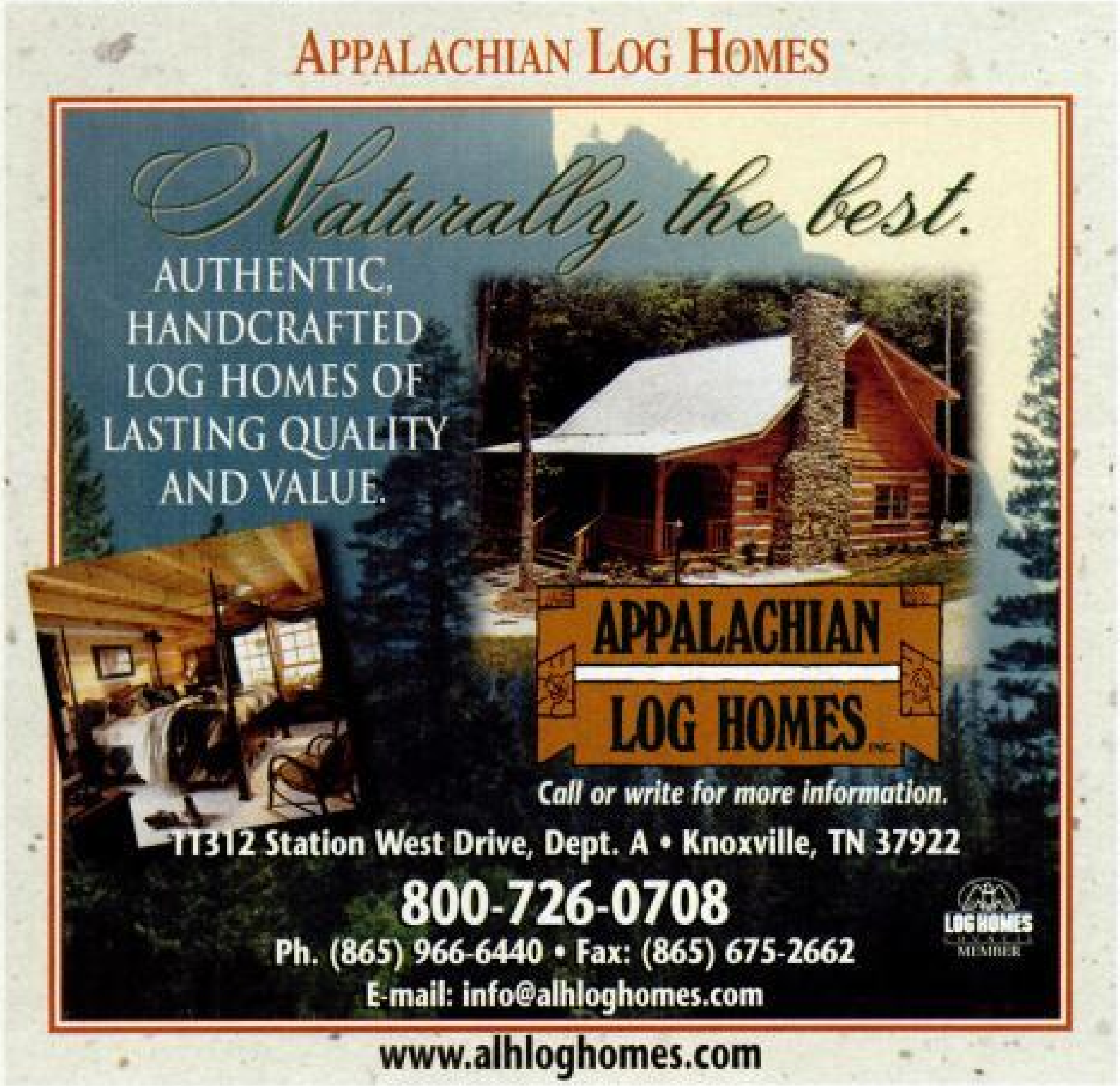
26. Stairway framing
27. Second-floor framing
28. 3/4" Tongue-and-groove plywood subflooring
29. 5/8" Sturdi-floor flooring

Know Your Producer

There are hundreds of log home producers in North America alone. Researching each one for package estimates is impractical. Try these resources to narrow your choices.

• **This 2004 Annual Buyer's Guide.** The Products & Services Directory (page 295) and the Producers Directory (page 310) list log home companies and the ervices that they offer. You can quickly skim and compare companies by reading through these sections.

• **Web sites.** Most savvy companies now have web sites that will explain their packages and offerings. You can find an extensive list of producers'





web sites at www.loghomeliving.com.

- **Plansbooks and catalogs.** For those of you who appreciate flipping through printed materials, check out log producers' plansbooks and catalogs. Most include sample lists of materials, package contents and illustrations.

- **Company references.** What better source to consult than a satisfied log home owner? Ask whether the log home company was up-front with what would be provided for their price. Ask whether the owners had any surprises, thinking that a certain material was a part of the package, but wasn't. And ask whether the package options that the company offers were easy to understand.

- **Model homes.** Stop by a model home in your area and speak with a company representative directly. You may have already thumbed through magazines, web sites and catalogs, but you may find that having the representative take you for a tour helps make materials lists, photos and drawings come to life.

- **Open houses.** This is a golden opportunity to meet with home owners and log company representatives at the same time. Tour the home and ask the owners or company representatives questions. For a list of open houses, see our Calendar (page 170) for current listings of events in your area.

The Last Word

Log producers want to make it easier for you to build your log home. It's like years ago when you pulled up to the drive-in window at your local fast food joint and ordered a burger, fries and a soda. Now all you have to say is "I'll take a number four" and you know what you'll be eating for lunch. Then, it's up to you to add the sundae.

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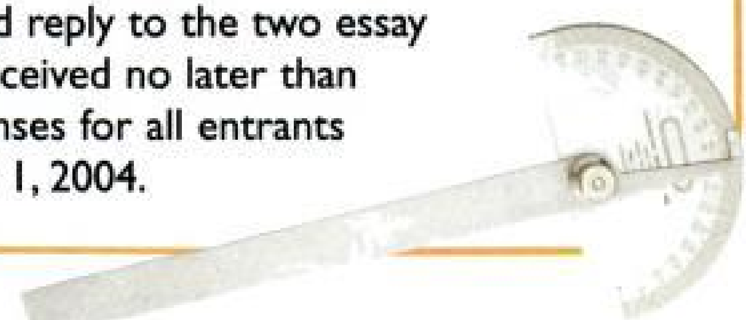
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* Jean S. Steinbrecher A.I.A., is a licensed architect in Langley, Washington. She specializes in log homes and spent eight years as design columnist for **Log Home Living**. She has conducted workshops on log home design and is a former executive board member of the International Log Builders' Association.

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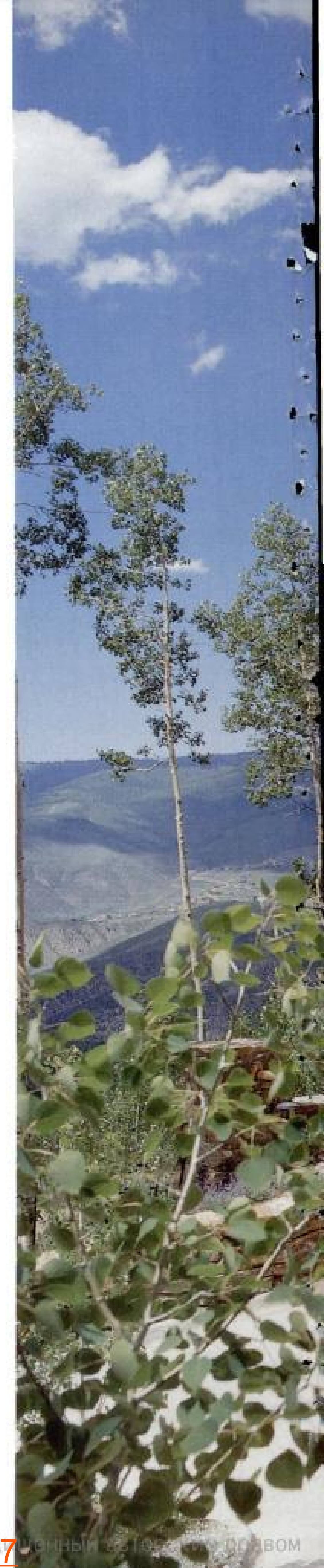


As you ascend the stairs to the main level, the wall is painted with a faux treatment to resemble the blue-gray flagstone on the stair treads.

STORY BY Candace Allen

In his youth, Pat Hamill competed on the Junior National Ski Team. Now, the Denver developer finds himself in the competitive residential construction arena, building nearly 1,000 traditional homes each year. Both vocations require a vast amount of coordination and a fast pace. Yet when Pat and his wife Kitty decided to build a Colorado vacation home, they slowed the pace down a bit by choosing a more time-consuming building method: a handcrafted log home.

The location the couple chose is the alpine community of Bachelors Gulch Village. Attracting both American and international residents, the village offers home owners ski-in/ski-out access to more than 1,600 acres of slopes, not to mention close proximity to Vail's quaint shops and acclaimed restaurants.





The green and yellow patina of the living moss that clings to the foundation's walls and chimney reminds the couple of their travels in Europe, where buildings dating back several centuries blend seamlessly with the landscape.



The gas fireplace's centerpiece is a 2,500-pound, single-stone moss-rock mantel. Colorado air pollution regulations don't allow a wood-burning fireplace unless it's fitted with an additional (and costly) combustion chamber in the flue.

RIGHT: Proof that a log home can be refined, the dining room boasts an intricately carved dining set. The chandelier is a combination of caribou, steer and elk horns. BELOW: A center island as well as an L-shaped granite counter provide plenty of space for guests to relax with a glass of wine from the cellar or join in the fun of the couple's cooking parties.



The Hamills' home, in keeping with the area's architectural style, emulates the grand lodges of our national parks, with angular lines, massive logs and timbers and impressive stonework. This combination of natural materials and colors create a cozy, inviting environment for friends and family to enjoy, which is just what Kitty and Pat were looking for. "Everyone knows that Vail offers the best ski terrain and powder, but the summer is the area's hidden secret. It's fabulously beautiful. We're up here almost every weekend all year round," Kitty says.

"When we walk in our log home, we immediately begin to relax and retreat from the busy life we live. It's our escape from the city," Pat adds.

Change is Good

The Hamills bought their 1 1/2-acre lot and the original house plans from friends who also had built in the village. With the help of architect Don Eggers, Pat and Kitty modified these plans to better suit their tastes, including opening up the floorplan, reducing the size, decreasing the number of bedrooms, enlarging the rooms and changing the ceiling and rooflines.

With all his expertise in the construction business, it was easy for Pat to assume the role of general contractor, but he says his hero was his brother, Rick, an expert framer, who was onsite every day. "It was a year out of my life, but I enjoyed every minute of it," Rick says.

The building site, a steep 38-degree slope, offered unique engineering and design challenges. To create a stable base for the home, the crew had to cut into the hillside and install a 17-foot-tall foundation wall, which is covered in green





The sitting room that adjoins the master bedroom is a serene place where the home owners can unwind.

and yellow moss rock. Steel I-beams give the wall added support, and retaining walls divert snow melt away from the home. The driveway is narrow, and at a 15 percent grade, it was a fairly steep pitch for the log delivery trucks and construction vehicles to navigate. Many days, Rick acted as traffic director and scheduler just to facilitate moving logs and materials onto the site.

Because the home would be built into the hillside and the primary living area would be on the second level, the Hamills faced another challenge: creating "an entry that didn't make you feel like you were coming into the lower level," says Don. He worked around this problem by designing an open, atrium-like space and a grand flagstone stairway that leads to the main level. Alongside the stairway is a textured, faux-painted wall that gives the illusion of being built of matching flagstone at a fraction of the cost.

Go With the Flow

Upstairs, the great room, dining area, kitchen and family room flow naturally into one large living area where family and friends interact. But the focal point is the great room where a magnificent dry-stacked moss-rock fireplace flares at the base, as if rooted to the floor like a tree. Its double-sided firebox allows guests to bask in the warm glow of the fire while relaxing in the great room or dining at the Hamills' elegant dining table, which comfortably seats eight. A vaulted ceiling and intricate roofing system highlighted by massive purlins and pillars add to the drama of this impressive space, which is visually tied together by distressed walnut

RIGHT: The lofted "girls' bunkroom" gets its feminine feel from frilly floral bed coverings. Looking out over the great room and the mountain scene beyond, the girls just might have the best view in the house. BELOW: So they wouldn't feel as if they were walking into a basement, the owners had the lower level fully finished with a living space, mini-kitchen and bedrooms. The antique phone booth is fully wired and operational.



flooring. Though new, the floor's aged finish looks like it was salvaged from a 100-year-old barn.

When guests aren't congregating in the great room's finery, they can be found gathering in the kitchen—an attraction Kitty attributes to our American culture. When she and Pat dine in European friends' homes, meals are prepared in advance in small out-of-the-way kitchens, then enjoyed in a more formal, self-contained dining room. By contrast, friends visiting the Hamill home pull up chairs to the L-shaped granite-topped bar and help with meal preparation in the gourmet kitchen.



Last New Year's Eve, eight couples donned chefs' hats and prepared their favorite recipes. Dinner wasn't served until 10:30, but everyone had fun getting to know each other better while cooking the food and sipping wine from the Hamills' cellar. To keep the bottles at the proper temperature, the cellar is built against the back foundation wall, where the earth's natural coolness comes through. "The wine cellar is full now," Pat says. "It's ready for friends and the holidays."

Catch the Sun

Thanks to its southeastern exposure, the master suite catches the morning sun. On cool nights the attached sitting room's moss-rock fireplace, which is separated from the rest of the suite by a strutted king post truss and stone knee-walls, provides warmth and ambiance. On warmer evenings the couple enjoys a cool breeze on the room's adjoining deck. When they truly want to relax,

Kitty retires to her soaking tub and Pat to his custom steam shower that Kitty refers to as "the human car wash." The ample spray nozzles, jets and heads provide a full-body massage. "It's very large," Kitty says with a chuckle. "I think you could fit six people in there."

The lower level is self-sustaining, containing a recreation room, fireplace, full bar and mini kitchen, as well as three bedrooms, including a "boys' bunkroom," and adjoining baths. Kitty calls the upstairs loft the "girls' bunkroom" because she decorated it in a more feminine fashion with a red floral print on the bedspreads. With all these sleeping quarters, there's plenty of room for holiday visits from the couple's five grown children, their spouses and their three grandkids.

Each room in the home is special and has its own view and personality. "Like children, you love them all equally but differently," Kitty says. The couple furnished and decorated the home together, drawing frequently on the work of local artists. But for all of the home's charms, it's the patio where the couple most enjoys passing the time—particularly during the summer when the weather is always perfect. They spend many evenings around the firepit, relishing the mountains and the outdoors. Often, they'll see deer, fox and sometimes even bear.

Wine & Design

Looking for a reason to start finishing your unfinished basement? Need a use for an unused closet? Why not build your own wine cellar? Though the project is challenging, you should be able to tackle it yourself with a little research.

Every project is different, but there are a few rules of thumb for you to follow.

- Build in a naturally cool area, such as a corner of the basement.
- If your floor is concrete, it must be level and treated with waterproof sealer to prevent moisture buildup.
- The cellar's door and any windows must be made of exterior grade materials to properly insulate it. The door also must be sealed around the perimeter and have a sweep at the base.
- You must include a vapor barrier for climate control. This can be as simple as 6-mil plastic sheeting installed behind the cellar walls and ceiling.
- To properly preserve wine, you must maintain an ideal, constant temperature (in the mid-50s) and humidity level (less than 70 percent). Use an air-conditioning unit designed for wine cellars. A standard window air-conditioner's hoses will ice up at the low temperatures required for wine storage.
- Light is the enemy of wine and must be controlled. Many people install automatic shutoff timers on their lights as a safeguard.
- Wine racks come in almost as many varieties as the wines themselves. From individual bottle holders to bulk binds to case storage, your choice will depend on how large of a wine cellar you intend to create.
- Build with the future in mind. You'll want to be able to accommodate an expanding collection.

If you want some sage advice for wine cellar construction, go to the DIY Network's web site at www.diynet.com or check out the book *How and Why to Build a Wine Cellar, 3rd Ed.* by Richard M. Gold, Ph.D. (Sandhill Publishers, 1996).

Goes Great with Nature

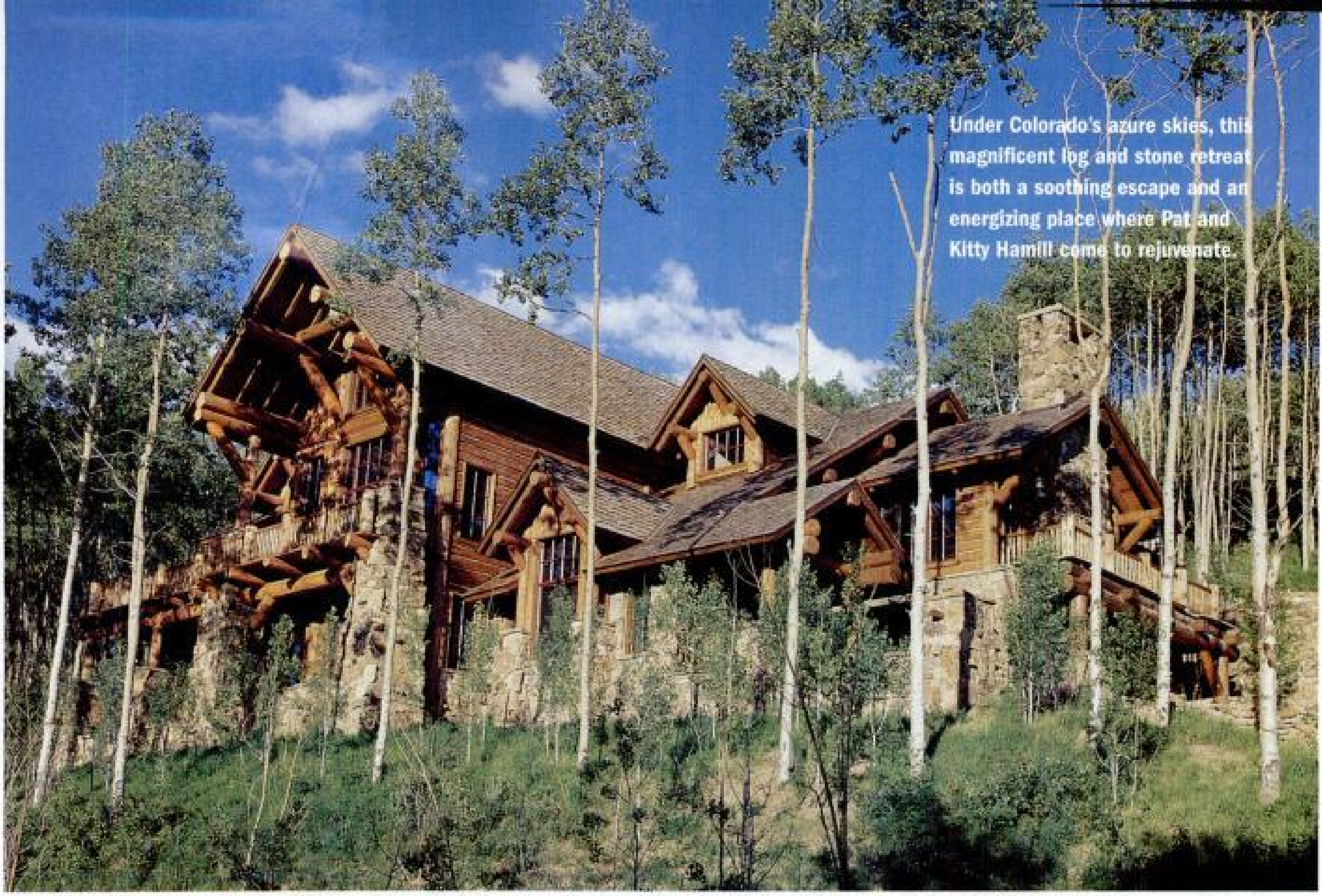
The home was handcrafted from a variety of western white wood: Engelmann spruce, lodgepole pine and alpine fir. Only standing dead timber was used, says Pioneer Log Homes' president, Jay Pohley, whose company supplied the Hamills' logs. Pioneer is the handcrafting arm of Rocky Mountain Log Homes.

"The quality of the craftsmanship of Pioneer's logs was really good. It was amazing how well they fit together," Rick says appreciatively.

There's a good reason for this level of precision. At Pioneer, everything is precrafted. After the logs are cut, the home is assembled in the company's logyard, then marked, disassembled and shipped to the building site. "We always send an advisor to work with the general contractor to erect the logs. That way we maintain quality control," says Jay.

This kind of quality and attention to detail recalls the workmanship of past generations, and Pat sees modern log homes as a tribute to our heritage. "It's part of where we all came from. You probably wouldn't build one in an urban setting, but in the mountains of Colorado or Montana, a log home is what you think of. It's a perfect fit with nature."

For Pat, this home is particularly special because, "Kitty and I did it together," he says. And for the couple who not only have a love affair with each other, but also with the quiet solitude their mountain location affords, this collaboration is only natural. ■



Under Colorado's azure skies, this magnificent log and stone retreat is both a soothing escape and an energizing place where Pat and Kitty Hamill come to rejuvenate.

Home Details

Square footage: 6,100

Architect: Eggers Architecture, P.O. Box 6041, Avon CO 81620; 970-926-8126

Fireplace: Heatilator, 1915 W. Saunders St., Mt. Pleasant IA 52641; 800-843-2848; www.heatilator.com

Front door and master bedroom door: Craftsmen in Wood, 5441 W. Hadley St., Phoenix AZ 85043; 302-278-8054

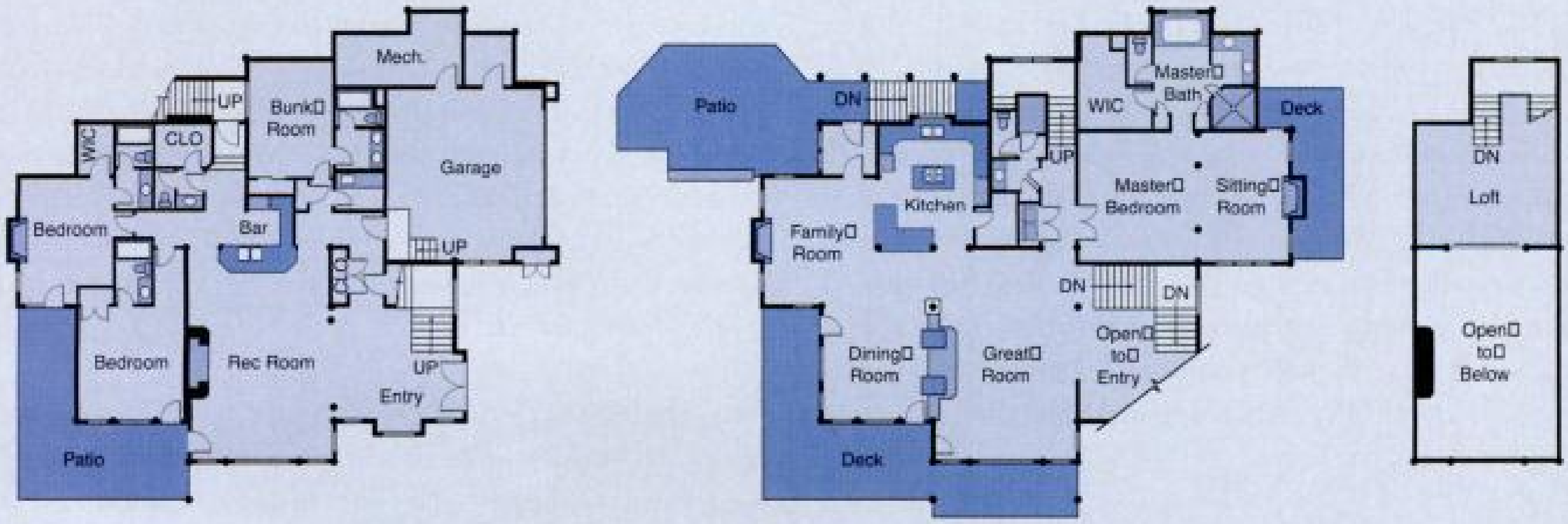
Kitchen cabinets: Merillat Cabinets Corp., P.O. Box 1946, Adrian MI 49221; 517-263-0771

Landscape designer: DHM Design, 1390 Lawrence St. #100, Denver CO 80204; 303-892-5566; www.dhmdesign.com

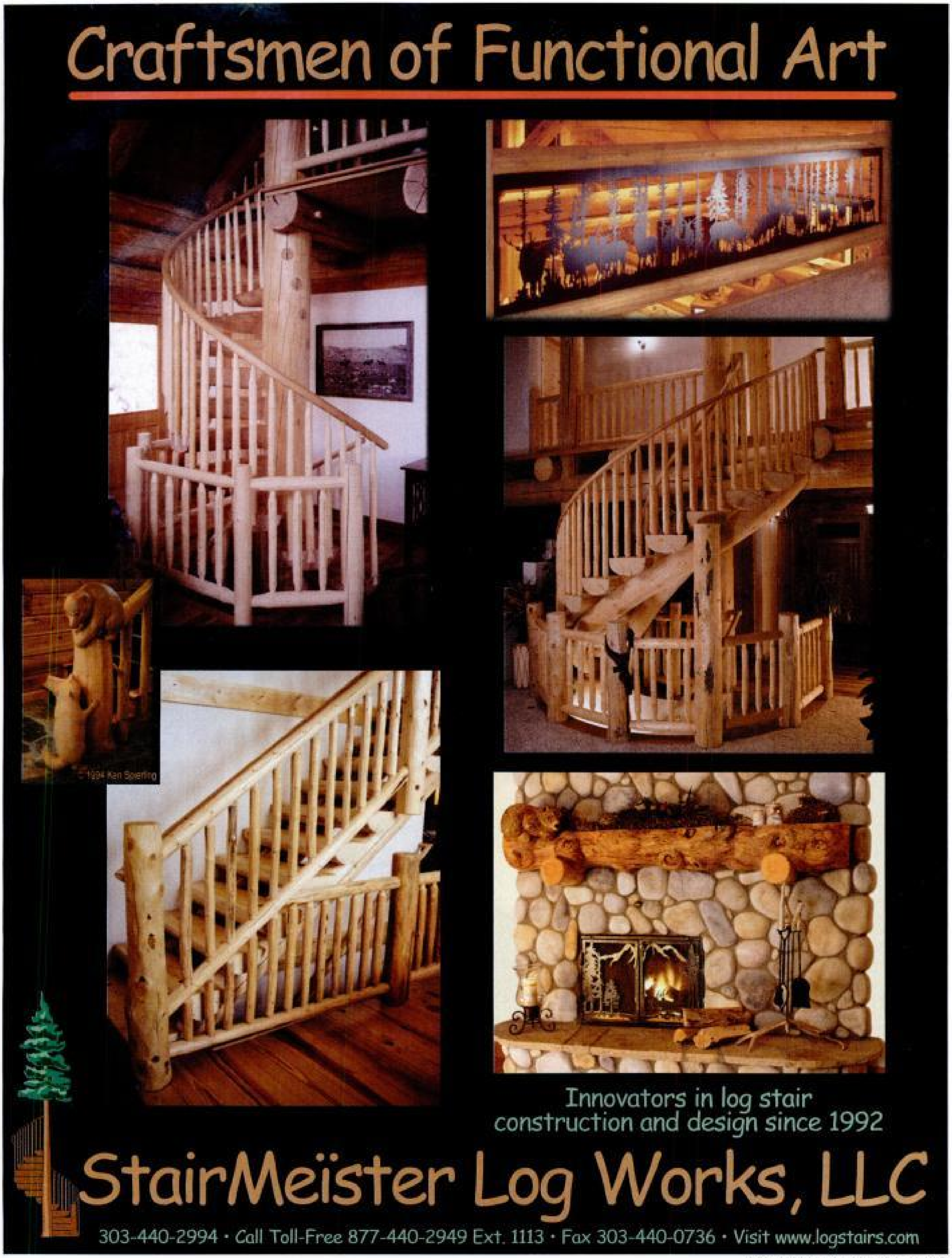
Log producer and kitchen log work: Rocky Mountain Log Homes, 1883 U.S. Highway 93 South, Hamilton MT 59840; 406-363-5680; www.rmlh.com

Masonry: David Brennan Masonry, P.O. Box 4450, Eagle CO 81631; 970-328-2240

Windows and doors: Eagle Window & Door, 2045 Kerper Blvd., P.O. Box 1072, Dubuque IA 52004; 800-324-5354; www.eaglewindow.com



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 By Jim Cooper



Natural Selection

What you need to know when choosing your logs

Wood is the heart and soul of a log home. Those who are drawn to logs appreciate their visual appeal; their earthy aroma, the popping and crackling sounds they make as they shrink and settle, and the tactile experience of running fingertips over the grain. Each species, whether it's oak, pine, fir, cedar, spruce or walnut, has a unique look and feel. That uniqueness gives every person the power to create a log home that reflects their own style and personality.

Selecting a wood species is one of the most crucial decisions new log home owners make. Not surprisingly, many buyers are guided solely by aesthetics. Others study charts and graphs that define wood characteristics, trying to make sense of the variety of species available for their future log homes. Though you need not necessarily know the difference between a tree's cambium and meristematic tissue to build a beautiful log home, understanding wood characteristics can be beneficial when you're selecting the right one for your home.

About Trees

Trees are intricate living organisms with life cycles and individual characteristics. Trees are divided into two broad categories: hardwoods and softwoods. Hardwoods are trees that lose their leaves in the fall such as oak, walnut and hickory. Softwoods typically include narrow- or needle-leaf trees that stay green year-round, such as pine, fir and spruce.

Regardless of whether they're hardwood or softwood, all trees follow a similar growth pattern. New growth sprouts from the tips of branches and in a narrow band directly beneath the tree's protective outer bark. Within this growth band, new cells are formed.

Most non-tropical tree species experience alternating periods of growth and dormancy, resulting in growth layers that are visible as concentric rings. Look at the cut end of a log and you'll see these rings, which are actually bundles of wood fibers in cross section. The rings' colors are a result of the tree's growth patterns. The size, shape, color and contrast of a tree's growth rings reveal the growing conditions throughout its life. Strong contrast within a growth ring indicates a growth pattern that changes seasonally. Contrasting colors distinguish early wood from late wood. The distinctive pattern of unevenly grained wood is a result of color variations between early wood and late wood, whereas the less distinct pattern of evenly grained wood is caused by diminished contrast between the two types of wood.

Sap, which consists of water and nutrients, is a tree's lifeblood. It is transported through the tree in sapwood, a band of wood cells that encircles the tree just inside the bark. As the tree grows, the inner cells stop carrying sap and become heartwood. Though sapwood is less fungi-resistant and shrinks more than heartwood, don't rule out logs containing sapwood. Sapwood holds materials called extractives within the cell walls, and, in some species, extractives help stave off decay, providing your home with added protection.

Log Options

The wood species you choose will have a major effect on the design of your log home—and vice versa—so be sure to consider design and wood species carefully to achieve the overall appearance you want.

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If it's a large-diameter, full-length log you're after, you've automatically narrowed your options to spruce, fir and some pine because these types of trees yield such logs. If it's a machined log in the 6-by-8- or 8-by-8-inch size range you're interested in, you have a wider selection because more wood species produce logs in this particular category.

Smaller logs are available only in shorter lengths, usually 8 to 16 feet. Thus, the log walls may contain butt joints, meaning that the ends of two separate logs will meet somewhere in the length of the wall rather than at the corners. Butt joints are a characteristic that is perfectly acceptable to some people, but that others prefer to avoid. As you weigh the pros and cons, keep in mind that as a rule, longer and larger-diameter logs are more expensive than their smaller counterparts, regardless of species.

What to Look for in Logs

When you start shopping for logs, closely examine each species' attributes. The factors outlined below play a part in determining the kind of wood that's appropriate for your design and location.

Decay resistance. Woods vary in their ability to resist decay. Some species, such as cedar, oak and cypress, have natural decay-resistant properties. Others require some amount of human intervention to boost their resistance. Regardless, all of the woods used in modern log homes are rated moderately or highly decay-resistant.

Even highly resistant species should be treated regularly with a proper pigmented preservative. Preservatives that lack pigment will not protect wood from ultraviolet light, which, in time, will cause wood of any species to darken or gray.

Insect resistance. As with decay, wood species vary in their ability to resist infestation. Though some woods, such as

WHEN WOOD SHRINKS

As wood dries, it contracts or shrinks. Here's how: Fresh or "green" logs have a moisture content of 20 percent. They retain water in two ways, as free water between the cells or as bound water contained within the cells. After the tree is cut and the logs begin to dry, free water is the first to leave and continues to evaporate until the moisture level reaches the fiber saturation point (FSP) at around 30 percent moisture content. Until the log reaches that point, no shrinkage takes place. After it reaches the FSP, the log begins to shrink until its moisture content drops to 19 percent or less. This is known as the equilibrium moisture content (EMC). Typically, shrinkage occurs when a log's moisture content level falls between 25 and 15 percent. Even logs that have been kiln-dried experience slight shrinkage.

The American Lumber Standard Committee (ALSC) classifies lumber as green or dry. To determine the amount of water in a log's surface area, log producers use moisture meters There are two types of meters, those with pins (which are often used with round-surface logs) and those that use radio frequencies (which are most effective with flat-surface logs). In either case, these meters only detect the amount of water present within the log to a depth of three-quarters of an inch. Determining the moisture content of a log's inner core is more complex. Log home producers have invested considerable research into the water retention and loss rates of the particular wood species they use. Through experience, they are able to predict moisture content through the weight and size of each individual log, helping them to determine the length of drying time required and how much shrinkage must be compensated for during construction.

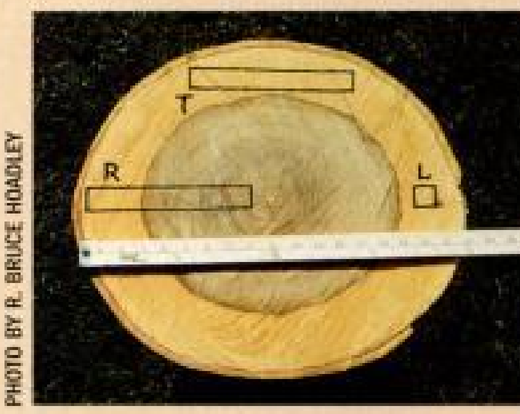


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Shrinkage is an uneven process. It occurs tangentially, in the same direction as the log's annual growth rings. Tangential shrinkage (marked with a "T") forces logs to split along their grain, a process called checking. The combination of tangential and radial shrinking (marked with an "R") can cause an 8-foot-high log wall made of green wood to shrink 1 to 2 inches in height. Wood shrinks very little in length (marked with an "L")

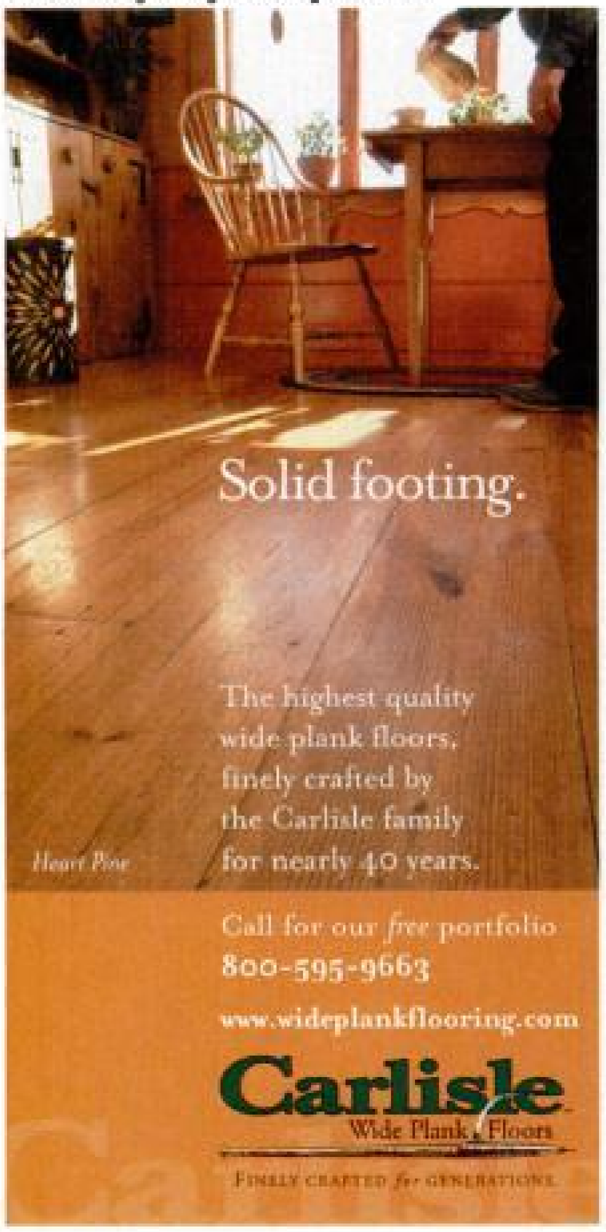
Experienced builders can calculate the amount of shrinkage a log will undergo. Using proven techniques, builders also can compensate for future shrinkage. If your home is carefully constructed according to professionally designed plans, shrinkage should not be a problem.

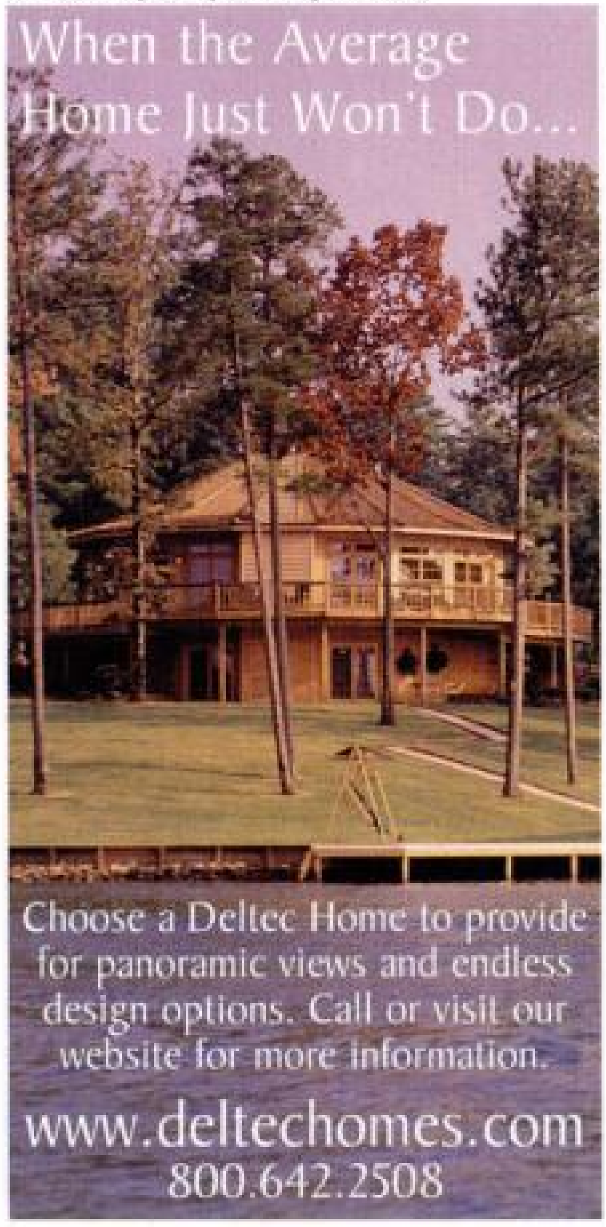
Wood Species

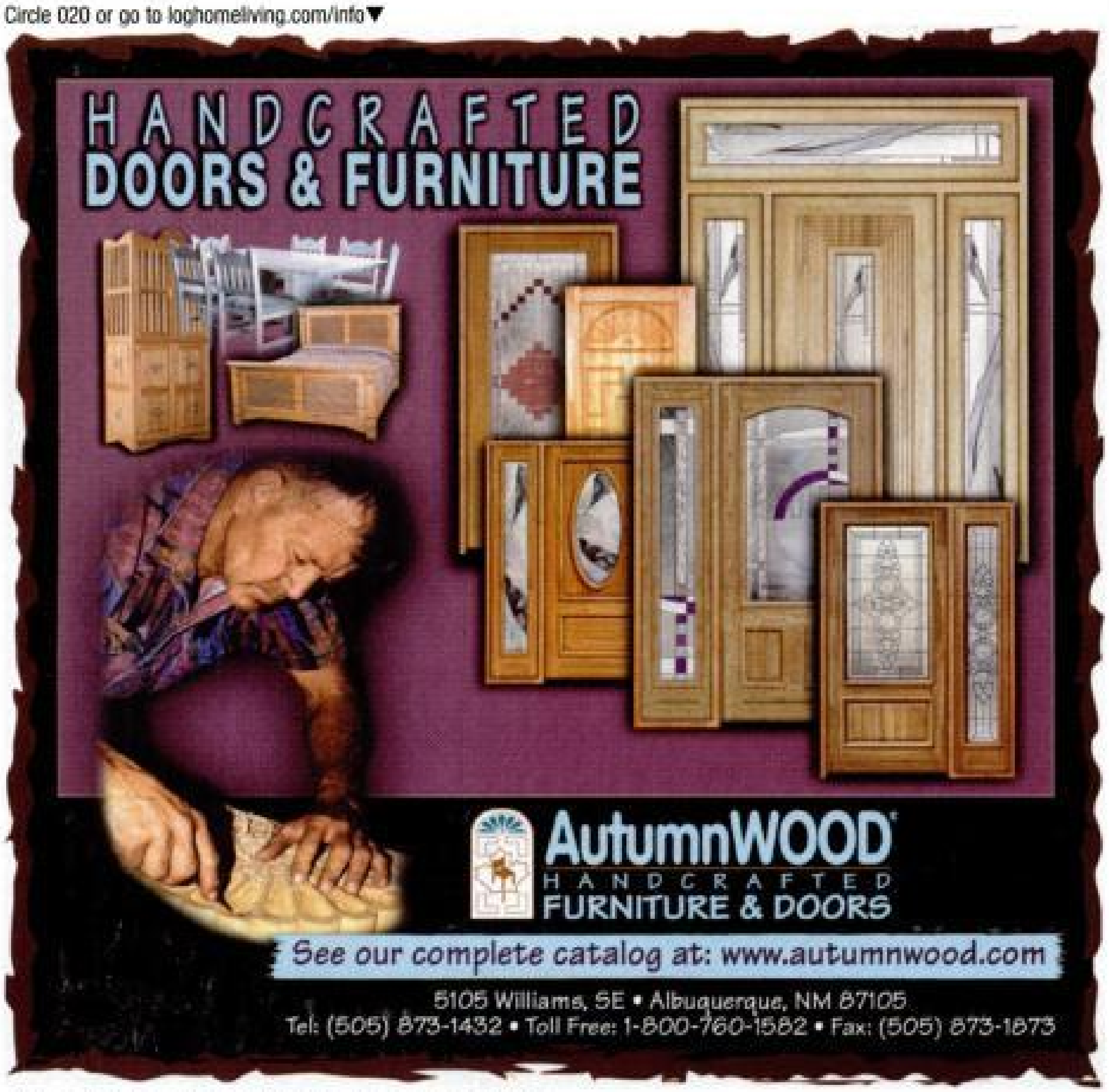
WOOD SPECIES	AREA HARVESTED	COLORS: Heartwood	COLORS: Sapwood
Atlantic White Cedar	NC and along the Gulf Coast	Light brown with pinkish cast	Nearly white
Northern White Cedar	ME and Great Lakes states	Light to medium or straw brown	Nearly white
Western Red Cedar	Pacific Northwest	Medium to dark coffee brown	Nearly white
Baldcypress (Red & Yellow)	Southern and South Atlantic states	Earlywood medium yellow brown; latewood amber to dark brown	Nearly white
Douglas Fir	Pacific Coast, Rocky Mountain states, British Columbia	Orange-brown to deep reddish brown, or sometimes yellowish brown	Nearly white
True Fir (Eastern Species)	Balsam fir: New England, NY, PA, Great Lakes states; Fraser fir: Appalachian regions of VA, NC, TN	Nearly white to pale brown, some with lavender tinge in latewood	Color not distinguishable from heartwood
True Fir (Western Species)	WA, OR, CA, western MT, northern ID	Pale buff to light brown, the darker latewood portion of the growth ring has a purplish cast	Color not distinguishable from heartwood
Eastern Hemlock	New England, Mid-Atlantic, Great Lakes states	Wood buff or pale brown, sometimes with a faint reddish or purplish tinge	Color not distinguishable from heartwood
Western Hemlock	Pacific coast of OR and WA, northern Rocky Mountains of Canada and AK	Nearly white to pale brown	Color not distinguishable from heartwood
Western Larch	Western MT, northern ID, northeastern OR, eastern slope of Cascade Mountains in WA	Yellowish brown	Yellowish white
Red Oak	Southern states and mountain regions, Atlantic coastal plains, central states	Light reddish brown, often with a pinkish tinge	White
White Oak	South Atlantic, central states, southern Appalachian region	Light to dark brown, often with a grayish cast	Nearly white
Eastern White Pine	ME to northern GA, Great Lakes states	Creamy white to light brown, often with a reddish tinge	Nearly white
Lodgepole Pine	Central Rocky Mountain states, ID, MT, OR, WA	Varies from light yellow to light yellow-brown	Yellow or nearly white
Ponderosa Pine	OR, WA, CA, MT, ID, southern Rocky Mountains, Black Hills of SD, WY	Light reddish brown	Nearly white to pale yellow
Red Pine	New England, NY, PA, Great Lakes states	Pale red to reddish brown	Nearly white with yellowish tinge
Southern Yellow Pine	GA, AL, NC, AR, LA	Ranging from shades of light or yellow brown to orange or reddish brown	Yellowish white
Western White Pine	Mountains of Northwest, British Columbia	Cream-colored to light or reddish brown	Yellowish white
Yellow Poplar	Southern states	Commonly green or greenish brown, occasionally shaded with purple, blue, black or yellow, or with streaks of various colors	Flat creamy or grayish white
Redwood	CA	Light cherry to deep reddish brown	White
Eastern Spruce	Red: New England, Appalachians; White and Black: Great Lakes states, New England	Creamy white or pale yellowish brown	Color not distinguishable from heartwood
Engelmann Spruce (Western)	OR and Rocky Mountain states	Nearly white, tinge of red	Color not distinguishable from heartwood
Black Walnut	Central states	Light to deep chocolate brown, occasionally with a purple tinge	Nearly white

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WEIGHT (when air dried)	HEARTWOOD DECAY RESISTANCE
Light	Resistant
Light	Resistant
Light	Resistant
Moderate	Moderately resistant
Moderate	Moderately resistant
Light	Slightly resistant
Light	Slightly resistant
Moderate	Slightly resistant
Moderate	Slightly resistant
Moderate	Moderately resistant
Heavy	Slightly resistant
Heavy	Resistant
Light	Moderately resistant
Moderate	Slightly resistant
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Moderate	Resistant







cedar, contain resins that make them less palatable to insect pests, no wood is insect-proof. Basic prevention measures should always be taken no matter what wood species you choose.

To repel insects, many manufacturers treat their logs with chemicals, such as borate-based treatments, which are highly toxic to insects but relatively safe for people and pets. That may not always suffice. Because the threat of insect infiltration varies widely across the country—even within local regions—it's best to consult a local exterminator about how to deal with pests in your area.

Energy efficiency. Two wood characteristics affect the basic energy efficiency of log homes: insulation and thermal mass. Insulation refers to a wood's ability to resist heat transfer. Air spaces in insulation slows the transfer of heat. The insulating value of such materials is expressed as "R-value," which signifies the amount of heat loss through the material.

The R-values of wood species vary, but all are low when compared to materials used expressly for insulating. For example, the R-value of wood ranges between 0.75 per inch for oak to about 1.2 per inch for cedar, with most of the pine species falling somewhere in between. This means that the rating of 8-inch-thick logs ranges from R-6 to R-9.6—considerably lower than the R-11 to R-19 values of insulation found within the walls of conventionally framed homes.

However, testing has shown that log homes often are more energy efficient than conventional homes with higher R-rated walls. How can this be? It's a direct result from a phenomenon called thermal mass.

Thermal mass refers to the way logs store and release heat. Logs warmed by the sun during the day or the heat inside your home radiate that stored heat at night, reducing the load that's placed on your furnace, fireplace or stove. During the sum-

mer, the logs' mass slows the transfer of heat into the home, keeping the house noticeably cooler.

Shrinkage and moisture content. Understanding shrinkage, moisture and wood movement is vital to log home design and construction. Fluids, primarily water, fill the cells of a living tree. Even the dead cells of the heartwood contain a small amount of moisture. When the tree is cut and the bark removed, the log begins to dry. As the moisture content drops, cells collapse and the log shrinks. Eventually, the moisture level reaches equilibrium with its environment, indicating the end of the shrinking process.

Log home producers have learned to compensate for shrinkage. One method is to air-dry the logs for several months to a year or more before using them in a home. This process removes much of the

ABOUT BUILDING CODES

As you move closer toward the construction phase, it's helpful to understand what local code officials will expect of your builder. Typically, your building inspector will review your new home's design before issuing a building permit, which is necessary to begin construction. During construction, inspectors will make onsite examinations to ensure your home follows its design. If there are discrepancies between the plan and what is being constructed, the inspector has the authority to stop construction until the problem is corrected. It is this inspector who, using building codes as a reference, will pronounce your home livable with a certificate of occupancy.

You can learn more about the codes that apply to your home from the International Code Council, 5203 Leesburg Pike, Suite 600, Falls Church VA 22041; 703-931-4533; fax: 703-379-1546; www.intlcode.org. This council regulates three U.S. regional code organizations, which are:

- **Building Officials and Code Administrators International Inc. (BOCA),** 4051 W. Flossmoor Road, Country Club Hills IL 60478; 708-799-2300; fax: 800-214-7167; www.bocai.org
- **Southern Building Code Congress International (SBCCI),** 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham AL 35213; 205-591-1853; fax: 205-592-7001; www.sbcci.org
- **International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO),** 5360 S. Workmen Mill Road, Whittier CA 90601; 800-284-4406; fax: 562-699-4522; www.icbo.org

For Canada's building code information, contact:

- **Institute for Research in Construction, National Research Council of Canada,** Building M20, Ottawa ON K1A0R6; 613-993-2607; fax: 613-952-7673; www.cnrc.ca

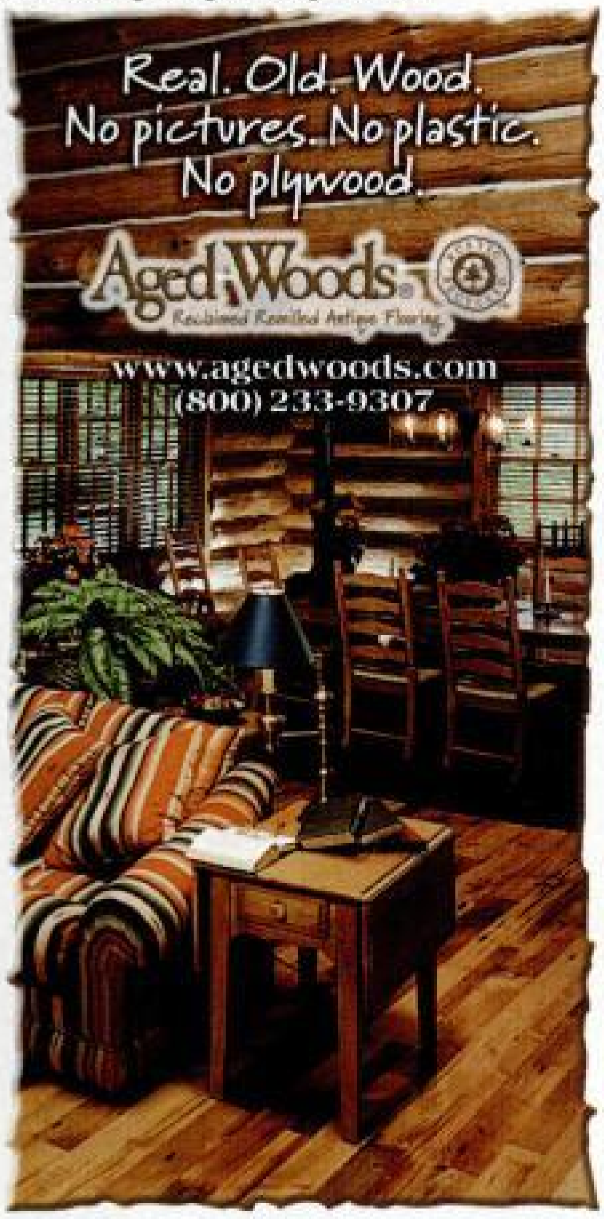
free water and starts the shrinking process. Depending on conditions and length of the drying period, air-dried logs can drop to moisture levels of 19 percent or less. In many areas of the country, the equilibrium moisture content can be as low as 12 percent or less at certain times of the year, still leaving some room for shrinkage (see "When Wood Shrinks," on page 61).

To reduce moisture content even further, many log home producers have invested in kilns so they can offer clients the option of kiln-dried logs. In addition to reducing the potential for shrinkage, the process of kiln-drying results in a log package that has more uniform moisture content. As an added benefit, the intense heat of the kiln kills insects living within the wood.

Kiln-drying is not an option, though, for handcrafters who are working with large-diameter logs. Besides, few people are willing to wait for these massive logs to air-dry. A good handcrafter has a good understanding of wood dynamics and can accurately anticipate shrinkage and the settlement that accompanies the process. Rather than fight shrinkage, they have developed building techniques to accommodate the dimensional changes that occur as logs shrink.

The best way to evaluate the performance of the drying and building methods used for a particular species of wood is to visit houses that have been standing with heating and cooling systems in operation for three to five years. Tears in caulk joints, water stains, unevenness on upper-level floors and wide or uneven gaps between logs suggest shoddy construction or a building system not suited to the logs' moisture content.

Appearance. Some of us just have a certain type of wood that's always been our favorite, perhaps because of its color or texture. Other would-be log home owners opt for a certain type of wood based on the way





HOW DO YOUR LOGS RATE?

The American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) developed log grading standards in 1980 titled, "Standard Methods for Establishing Stress Grades for Structural Members Used in Log Building" (ASTM D3957). These standards offer criteria for uniformly evaluating the structural capacity and design value of logs.

Two certified organizations currently grade logs in the United States: the Log Homes Council (LHC), which is part of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB), and Timber Products Inspection Inc. (TPI), an independent grading agency.

Nearly 100 manufacturers take advantage of grading programs. If you want to build with graded logs, but your log home producer doesn't use a log grading agency, you can hire TPI to inspect and grade your log package.

Call 770-922-8000 or 360-449-3138 or visit www.tpinspection.com for information.

it takes a stain. The goal may not be to darken the wood's color, but rather to harmonize the natural color variations found among logs of the same species.

The best way to decide which look you prefer is to see the different species used in existing log homes. Most types of wood change color as they age, even when protected by a finish, so it's a good idea to look at new homes as well as some that are several years old. If you plan to keep the interior wood its natural color, make sure to look at samples treated with a clear finish.

Before you commit to buying a log species, try it first. Experiment with how the wood will accept a stain. For example, wood with pronounced early wood and late

wood, each of which stains differently, may look almost striped after applying some types of stain. Wipe wood samples with several different stains to get an idea of the effects you can expect.

Price Differences

Your choice of wood species can affect the bottom line cost of your log home by as much as 20 percent.

It's natural to assume that the more costly a product is, the more quality you are receiving for your dollar; however, this is not necessarily true when you start comparing costs of log home packages.

Wood is a commodity. Prices fluctuate simply because supply and demand constantly changes under a host of influences. Time of year, vagaries of nature, such as forest fires and insect infiltration, energy costs, governmental regulations, even court cases that involve the harvesting of trees all affect the cost of wood and, subsequently, the price of your new log home package.

Don't assume that if one company's price for a particular species is high, then all others will be, too. Because the density of a wood species varies geographically, a type of wood that is common and inexpensive in one area of the country may be difficult to obtain in another and, as a result, be more costly. Or a company may have stockpiled its current inventory under more favorable market conditions, enabling it to offer a better price.

When deciding on a producer to buy from, make sure you're comparing the same species of wood for a more accurate assessment of what you're getting for your money.

No Experience Necessary

You don't need to be a wood expert to live in a log home. Many prospective owners put their faith in their producers to make sure the logs used in their homes are suitable. For added reassurance, all three na-

NEW WAVE

Don't touch that dial, because the use of radio frequencies could play a large part in the future of the log home industry. Similar in concept to microwave ovens, radio frequencies are now being employed by glue-laminated beam producers to dry wood to low moisture levels in record time. Some log home producers are experimenting with this technology, and several already offer logs dried with this method. Stay tuned for more information.

tional building codes require logs to be graded, and many local code authorities require logs to be grade-stamped (see "How Do Your Logs Rate?" on page 68).

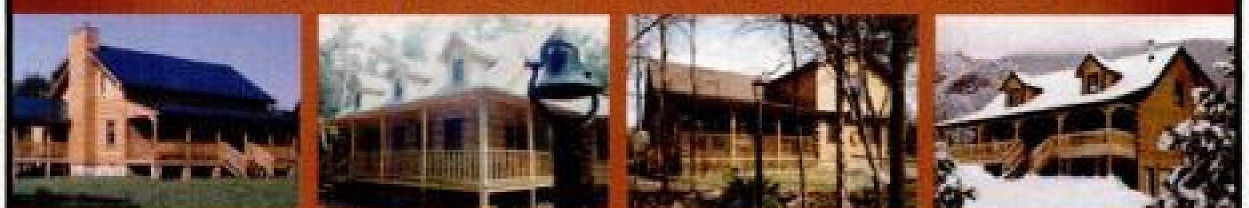
Remember that grading requirements are based on structural qualities and not on appearance. Knotty logs with swirling grain and occasional checks appeal to one person, whereas another may find such logs completely unattractive. However, these aesthetic characteristics may have no effect on the structural quality of the logs themselves.

Now that you're armed with information, you might wonder what is the best wood to use in log home construction. The answer is that there isn't one. Truly, no one species is the "best." There are many factors to be weighed, such as the climate where your home will be located, the type of building system you choose and, of course, personal preference.

Outside of the actual design and floorplan, few selections you'll make will impact your home's overall atmosphere like your wood choice will. It might seem like a monumental decision, but it doesn't have to be a difficult one. There are ample resources at your fingertips—the primary one being the log home producer you choose. Rely on their expertise and heed their advice, but above all, follow your vision and you'll be on your way to a lifetime of happiness in your new log home. ■













Helicopter Logging

BRAVE PILOTS TAKE TO THE AIR TO HARVEST LOGS IN A WAY THAT DOESN'T DAMAGE THE ENVIRONMENT.

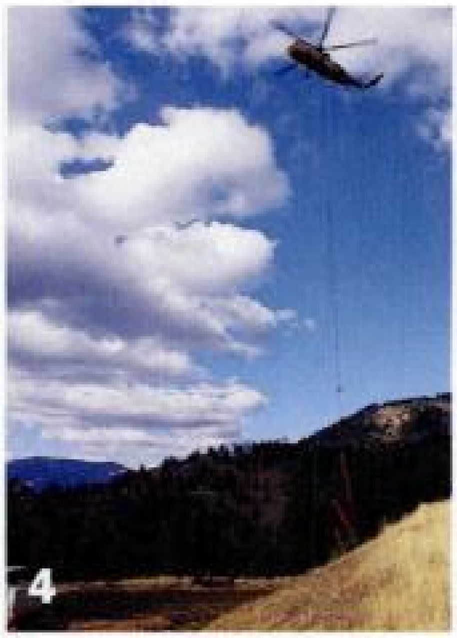
STORY AND PHOTOGRAPHY BY Jim Oltersdorf

Logging trees for new homes used to be a messy job. Workers carved roads into the forest, then cut the trees and bulled them to the road to get them out. When the best trees were deep in a forest, it might have been impossible to reach them without damaging the environment or threatening wildlife habitat along the way. Now, loggers have found a less-intrusive method of harvesting logs. They use helicopters.

Cost-effective and environmentally sensitive, helicopter logging allows companies to harvest logs that otherwise would die and rot because they were located in areas that could not be reasonably reached by traditional methods.

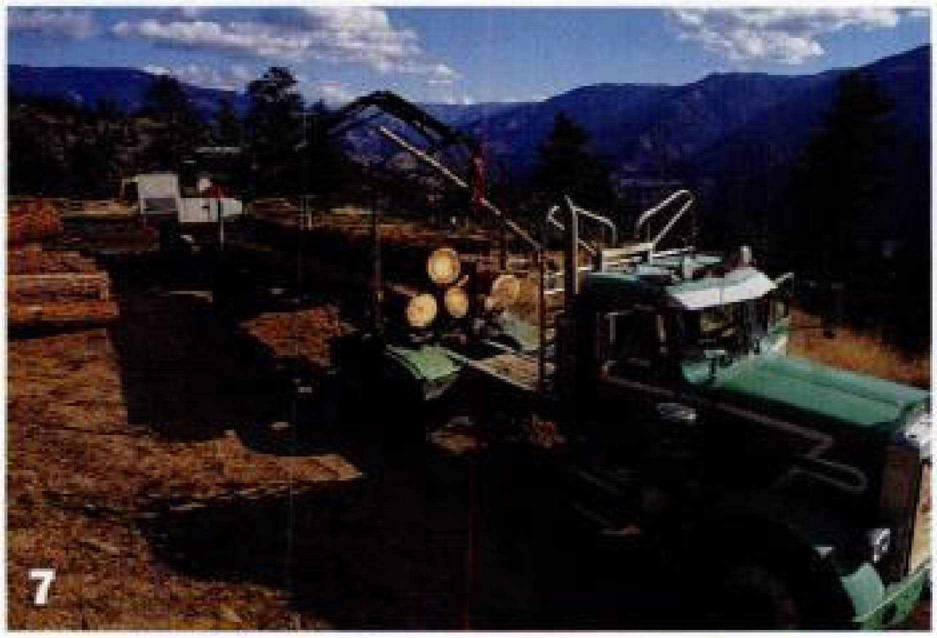
Loggers call this process "long-lining" or "sling loading" and it is staged like a football team at work, each member dependent upon the other. The sawyers cut the trees then hookers attach steel cables (chokers) to the downed timber. Next, the helicopter pilot swoops down over the forest, connects to the choker and flies the load to a waiting truck. During the operation the pilot has the final word on the lift. Before pulling the logs into the sky, he weighs the load on a gauge in the cockpit to determine if the helicopter can handle the load.

Many of these helicopters can, in fact, carry huge loads. A typical light-duty helicopter can lift about 1,200 to 1,500 pounds











1. A logging crew near Ennis, Montana, waits patiently while a five-bladed Sikorsky helicopter brings in a few tons of timber. 2. To help the pilot keep track of his cable and the log load beneath him, these helicopters are outfitted with special bubble windows. 3. Looking down on the forest during a lift is almost enough to give you vertigo. 4. After a trip from a forest that's impassible for trucks, the helicopter pilot drops his logs near a loading crew. 5. Once the logs hit the ground, the crew uses a grapple skidder to bull the logs into position. 6. A lumberjack then cleans off limbs so the logs can be neatly stacked on a truck. 7. and 8. Using a machine called a knuckle boom loader, a worker lifts the logs and loads them onto a truck that can transport them to a mill.

of logs at a time. Larger helicopters can handle 2,500 to 5,000 pounds of logs. Workhorses like the five-bladed Sikorsky can lift 19,500 pounds, the Boeing Vertol Chinook an unbelievable 29,500 pounds.

Because these freighters of the sky can cost $2,500 (or more) per hour to run, everything is precisely planned to limit the time spent hovering in the air. Safety is also carefully considered. Make no mistake about it; this is a potentially dangerous job the pilots don't take lightly. Each day before the flight begins, the companies have safety meetings centered on the day's operation and how each individual's safety is going to be met. Helicopter pilots usually fly for eight hours a day with breaks in between in which the mechanics thoroughly inspect all components of the machine. A small fracture, a disabled part or almost any imperceptible problem could lead to catastrophic failure of the aircraft and possibly a fatal accident.

Logging by helicopter has many benefits beyond protecting the environment. It allows companies to harvest standing dead trees without disturbing the rest of the forest. Also, with a helicopter, a crew can harvest trees from steep hillsides, deep gorges or across rivers that are impossible to reach with trucks. Thinning a forest in this way also reduces the combustible material that can feed horrendous fires like those that have plagued the nation in recent summers.

Long-lining requires a great deal of training and experience. The pilots say it's a job they love but it also requires a tremendous amount of dedication. Do it wrong and you die. Still, the pilots say they like the freedom of working in the air and using skills that surpass those of the average pilot. Piloting these specially equipped airships is challenging, unusual and worthwhile. ■

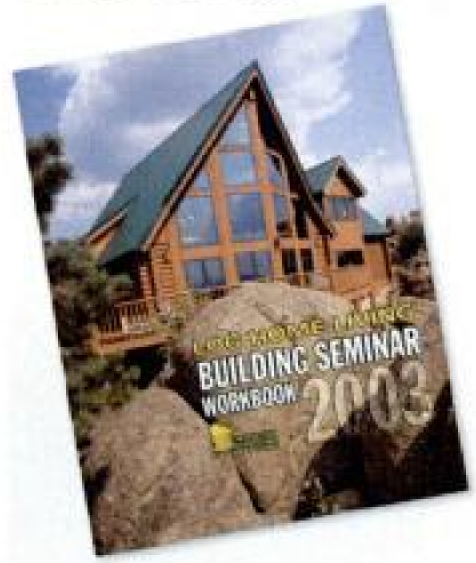
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Just Your Style

How to choose the right wall style and corner profile

You know you want your dream home to be made of logs—that's a given. But there are still a number of key decisions you need to make.

Foremost are the choices that affect the look and performance of your home. You might be surprised to learn how many options you have. You'll need to think carefully about each one and about how they work together. As you'll see, each element affects many other aspects of your home.

It's tempting to pick and choose features from different companies' building systems, but that approach is ill-advised. Here's why: The components that go into creating a log wall are not always interchangeable. Log home companies have invested millions of dollars and spent years researching how best to create log walls using a combination of specific kinds of trees and crafting, sealing and fastening techniques. They apply sophisticated engineering principles to develop building systems that accommodate wood settlement and other challenges common in log wall construction. A building system and the engineering principles behind it are what allow your new home to meet or exceed national or regional building codes.

So how do you tell which wall style is right for you? Just like deciding on the design of a conventional home, many of the choices before you are a matter of personal preference. Others have to do with the company you choose to create the shell of your home. For instance, many producers recommend certain sealing and fastening techniques because they work well with their particular building systems.

To guide you in making your selection, use our description of the available log shapes and corner styles and of the fastening systems that keep everything structurally strong.

Selecting your log wall system is as much a part of the building process as choosing your kitchen cabinets or deciding where to put the master suite. So follow your intuition, and have fun researching your many options. The sooner you decide exactly what you want in a wall system—and in a log company—the sooner you will be able to start construction on your new home.

Where to Begin

Start by looking at log profiles and corner styles, and decide which ones appeal to you. Next to the overall design and floorplan of your home, this may be one of your biggest decisions. How profiles and corner styles interact with each other when log walls are stacked is a matter of both form (aesthetics) and function (structural engineering and weathertight performance). This decision will also be one of your most enjoyable because these are the elements that determine how your home will look. So, take a look through this issue at the photographs and illustrations, and visit a few completed homes. More than anything else, seeing them first-hand will give you a sense of the full effect of a particular log profile or corner style.

There are no wrong choices when making your selection. But be aware that this decision will influence your budget as well as, whether the home will be handcrafted or manufactured, the kind of sealant you'll use, the amount of maintenance required and the ease of construction.

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Corner Styles

Corner notch styles are created when logs intersect at the corners of the home. The most common variations are saddle-notch, dovetail, interlocking and butt-and-pass. Some producers of insulated log walls use a corner post design, which resembles post-and-beam construction. The effect is achieved through a corner post that has a groove running along its entire length, into which the logs are inserted as they are stacked.

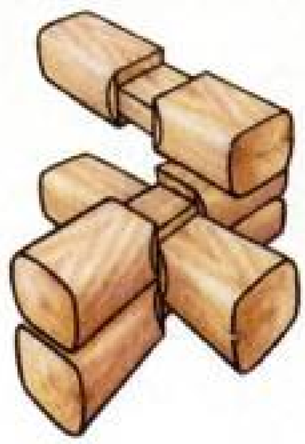
Your corner style preference will determine whether you'll end up with a handcrafted home or one that is milled by a manufacturer. If you admire massive logs, each with its own diameter and grain character with shrink-to-fit, saddle-notch joinery, then you should investigate the handiwork of log home handcrafters. Conversely, if your eyes are drawn to the uniformity of multiple 6-by-8-inch logs repeated throughout the wall system with an interlocking corner style, then talk to milled log home representatives. Some companies offer both handcrafted and milled log home packages or features of both. (To tell at a glance if a home is milled or handcrafted, look closely at the corner sections. If logs are uniform in diameter, they are milled. If log diameters vary or if corners are hand-hewn, they're probably handcrafted.)

When weighing your corner style decision, consider the cost of fabrication, speed of onsite construction and the level of needed maintenance over time. Ask one or two log producers for this information. The complexity of design, the overall square footage and the intricacy of your corners will have a large influence on all three of these factors. Next, you'll need to decide on the log profile.

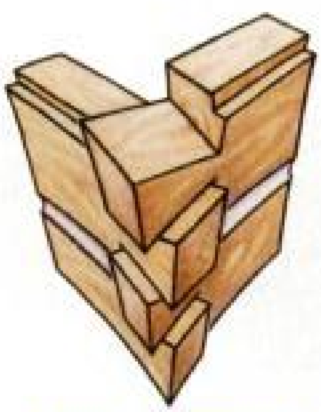
Log Profiles

A log profile determines the style of horizontal interface that your log wall system will use. This has to do with the way

CORNER CHOICES



Interlocking Corners



Dovetail Corners



Corner Post



Butt-And-Pass Corners



Saddle-Notch Corners

Corner types fall into two categories, each with its own charm. As you can see in these illustrations, **overlapping corners** require one or more cuts made in each log so the logs can pass over one another. **Interlocking corners** are more complex; the wood is cut out from the four sides of a log, leaving a recessed area that locks into a similar area on the intersecting log and holds both logs rigidly in place. Because the cutouts must be precise to properly fit at the corners, only manufacturers using precision woodworking machinery can produce this type of corner economically.

Choose your corner style with care. The style you select will play a prominent role in the overall appearance of your log home.

Dovetail corners are used mainly with square or rectangular logs. The end of each log is cut to produce a fan-shaped wedge. As the logs are stacked, the ends of the logs interlace and lock into each other. With butt corners, all walls begin with a full log so each row of logs sits on the same plane. At the corners, the log ends will then butt up against one another.

Corner post designs look considerably different from other corner intersections. In this style, a post at each corner has a groove along its length that the logs butt into.

Often the butting log has a tenon at the end. This design is similar to post-and-beam construction. Producers who design insulated log homes often use this design.

Butt-and-pass corners are formed when one log stops where it meets the intersecting log, and the other log extends past the corner. There are dozens of variations, all involving the shape of the area where the logs butt. In most, passing logs have a cutout, or mortise, into which the butt log fits. If the end of the butting log is shaped to match the mortise, the projection is called a tenon. The joint is referred to as a mortise-and-tenon or V joint.

Saddle-notch corners (also called saddle-cope or round-notch) get their name from the saddle-shaped notch cut into the bottom of each round log. This notch on the bottom of the top log straddles the top of the log coming from the perpendicular wall. Both logs then extend past the corner. The opposing walls of a saddle-notch corner system, both gable walls for example, start with a half log. This ensures that the logs overlap one another at the corners rather than butt into each other. This is one of the most traditional corner intersections and is favored by many handcrafters.

logs fit together when stacked atop each other. These load-bearing surfaces, which provide stability in the wall, can be round on round, flat on flat, concave over round—also known as Swedish cope—or tongue-and-groove. Tongue-and-groove can come in single, double or ripple (triple) and is found only in milled logs.

The visible surfaces of the profile—what you see inside and outside the home once the logs are stacked—are a matter of aesthetics. You can choose the rustic look of hand-peeled logs, where the bark is barely removed, or opt for a milled profile that features square, round or D-shaped logs.

Which profile or corner style performs best? All work well when constructed to the producer's guidelines. Long-lasting performance is the result of attention to detail during assembly of the wall system and continued maintenance over time. Above all, you want a weather-tight structure. Because corners and other wall areas can open slightly as settlement occurs, log home builders and designers use sealants to guard against gaps.

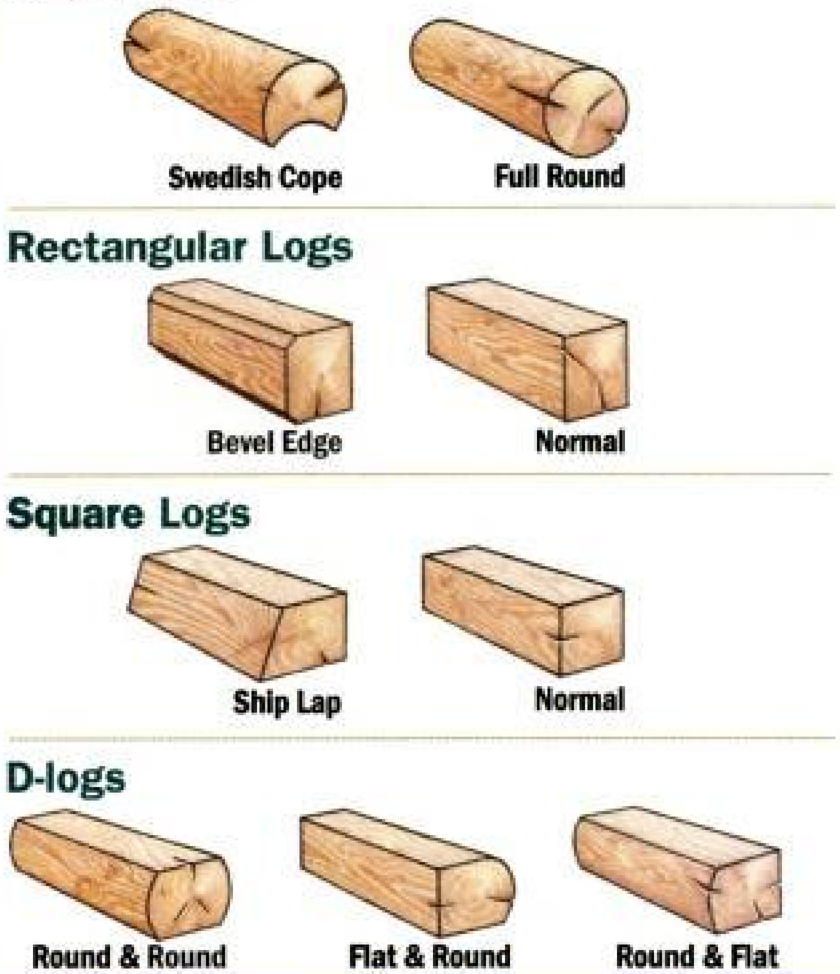
How They Stack Up

To meet building codes, log walls must be rigid enough to resist vertical, lateral and shear forces, which come from such elements as wind, snow and seismic activity. To create this rigidity, engineers apply complex mathematical formulas to such variables as log size, species, profiles, corner styles, moisture content and the size of the home. These engineering calculations can range from a few pages for an individual design to a few hundred pages for an entire line of standard floorplans.

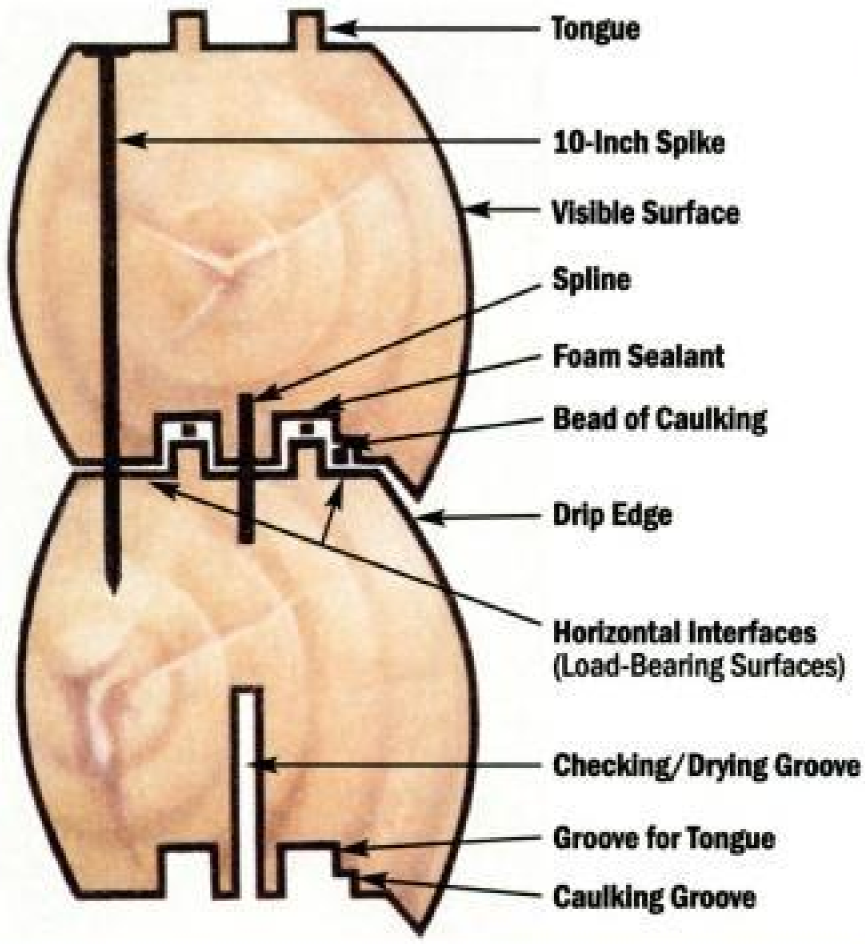
The size of the home comes into play because a wall can act as a giant sail when subject to a strong horizontal wind. If logs are not fastened correctly, this energy can contribute to racking and shear, which means your home's walls could twist out of alignment.

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LOG PROFILES



Tongue-and-Groove Profile in Detail

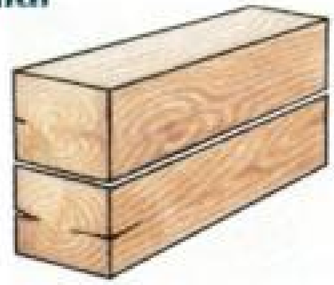


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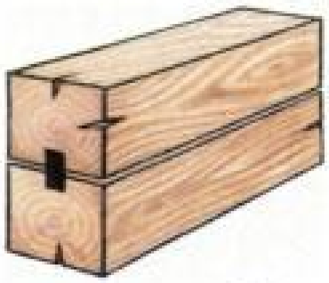

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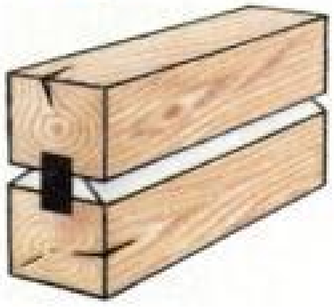
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Corner Support System with Chinking

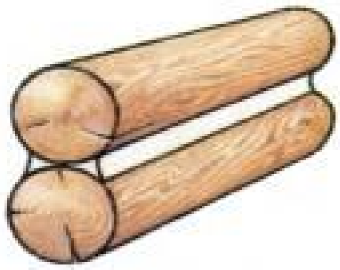


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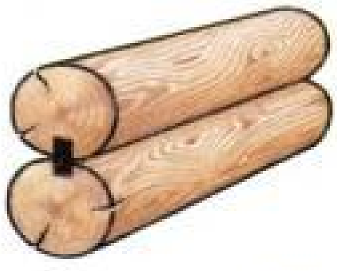


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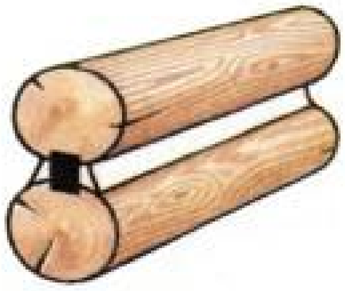
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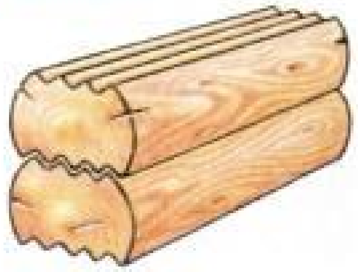


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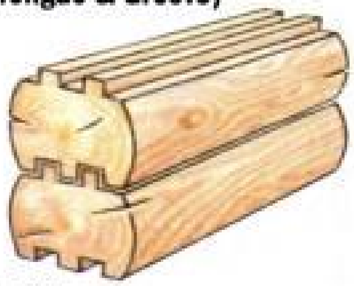


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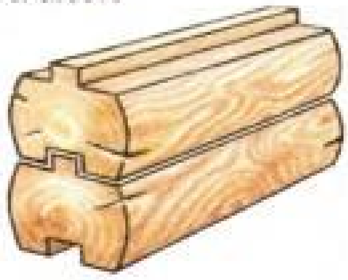
Tongue & Groove



Ripple (Triple Tongue & Groove)



Double Tongue & Groove



Single Tongue & Groove

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A designer or engineer's goal is to have all the log walls in a home act as a single unit. Producers achieve this by using a schedule of specific fasteners, which prescribe the frequency and location of each fastener. The grade of log, species, moisture content and locations of windows and doors all affect the fastener schedule. The schedule also will vary based on the region you're building in and the producer's specific building system. Your producer may offer more than one fastening option or use more than one type on the same wall. Most companies include the fasteners in the log home package. They may be spikes, screws, drift pins or bolts. (For more information see "How Fasteners Work" on page 85.)

When considering your options, realize that no single fastener works best. Regardless of which fastener a producer uses, each will be calculated into the engineering of your home to ensure it remains structurally sound. That's why the producer's fastener schedule should always be followed. If you need additional engineering and technical specifications, you can obtain them from the producer or fastener manufacturer.

About Settling

How much will logs settle or shrink once integrated into a wall system? The short answer is that it varies.

Many factors affect wood settlement, including the species, the time of year it's harvested, the climate of the forest, the climate of your building site and even the home's heating and cooling systems. The biggest contributor to settlement is wood shrinkage. Wood shrinks as it dries, so logs with greater moisture content during construction undergo a longer period of twisting, checking and shrinkage until they reach equilibrium with their surroundings. The settlement from shrinkage, when combined with compression from the sheer weight of the logs and the roof system, can decrease the height of the log walls. This reduction can range from 1 to 6 inches, depending on the wood species, the home's design, whether the logs were dried before construction, and the environment and the building system being employed.

While this range of motion may seem alarming, it isn't. What is important is the method by which your producer accommodates this settlement. For example, unless shrinkage is accounted for in engineering, design and construction, the walls will transfer their weight and the loads they carry to doors and windows, rendering them impossible to open.

This is why log home producers create settling spaces above windows and doors using a "buck," a stable frame of dimensional lumber that securely holds the window or door in place in the wall system. The settling space is hidden behind trim and filled with an insulation that compresses easily. As the log walls dry out and compress in the first year after construction, they settle into this space above the windows and doors.

Windows and doors aren't the only problem areas. Allowances also must be made for settlement wherever the wall system attaches to anything inside or out-



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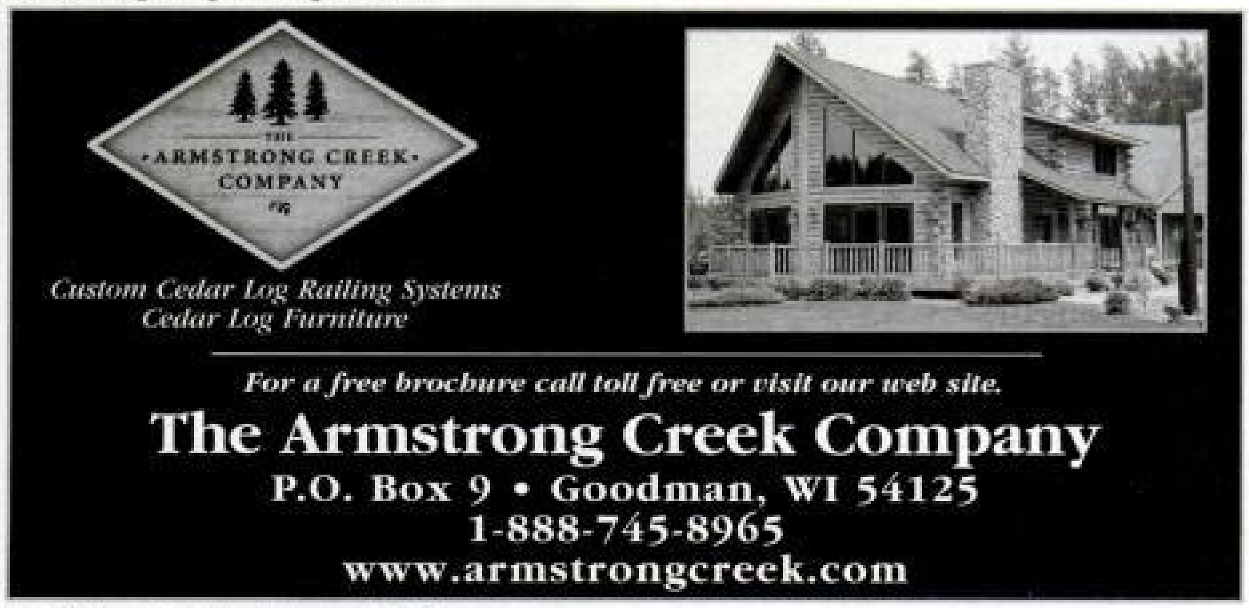
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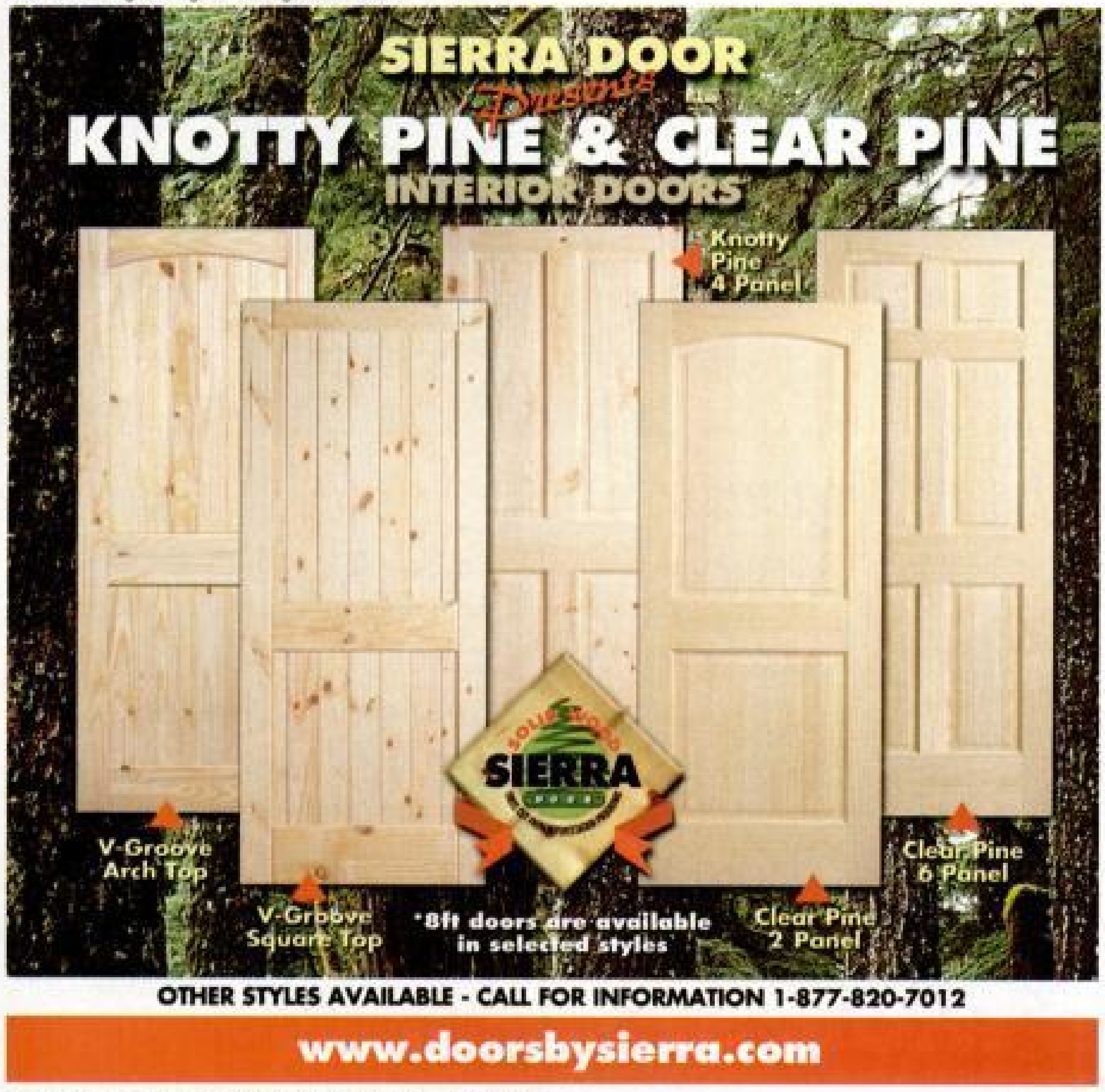
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side the home, such as interior partition walls, floors, cabinets, electrical and plumbing connections, stairs, chimneys and log dormers. Ignoring those issues during design and construction will contribute to a host of problems, including sloping floors, uneven stairs, leaky plumbing and energy inefficiency.

Settling is affected by the wood species, the climate of the forest and of your building site and even a home's heating and cooling systems.

Careful design and engineering by log home producers adjusts for settlement, and the solutions are easily executed by competent builders. Settling space is left above interior partition walls and concealed by trim. The use of posts, often installed on shims or adjustable jacks, shoulders the weight of the second floor or roof systems. As settling occurs, you just adjust the shims or jacks, lowering the center of the roof and the second floor to the level of the wall perimeter.

Producers also use slotted connections frequently. The tops of kitchen cabinets, for instance, are firmly secured to the log walls, while the bottom of the cabinets are attached to the wall through slotted connections. As the log walls compress downward, so do the bottom cabinet connections. This same slotted method also can be employed on other components of the home. Special connection techniques are sometimes used for chimneys and staircases.

Wiring and plumbing can easily accommodate settlement. Electrical conduits are fastened to walls with clamps

loose enough to let the wall slip by behind it. Slip joints are used in upstairs plumbing applications; you might consider flexible piping where needed. Double flashing is sometimes used on vent pipes.

Gables and dormers in full log systems are a little more complex to adjust than log walls because of their triangular design and their inherently uneven weight distribution. While special securing and sealing methods still make this a viable design option, many owners instead choose to have their gables and dormers created with conventional stud framing. Then those sections are covered with log siding to match the rest of the home's log profile and corner style.

Before deciding which log type to use, check into the log producer's specific building system, its recommendations for sealing and fastening, and its approach to settling. ■

HOW FASTENERS WORK

The engineering principles that ensure the structural integrity of modern log homes are fairly sophisticated. A number of different types of fasteners are commonly used, depending on several factors, including the type of wall system and logs.

Spikes are basically huge nails; varieties include the smooth shank, spiral shank and ring shank. For most wood species, the builder must first drill a hole in the logs to accommodate the spikes and then use a sledgehammer to drive the spikes into the log. A drawback with spikes is that the logs can be damaged if the sledgehammer misses its target.

Lag screws are pointed bolts that range in diameter from 3/8- to 1/2-inch. Countersunk holes are drilled to accommodate the lag screws, which are tightened with an impact wrench. Screws are installed at varying intervals so one is never on top of another.

Through-bolts are threaded rods that are installed in drilled holes vertically throughout the wall system. In some building systems, through-bolts are combined with tension springs to aid in settling. Once the entire wall is assembled, the bolts are tightened at the foundation level and will be tightened regularly as the home settles.

Drift pins of galvanized pipe or rebar are often required in earthquake-prone areas. In areas of high seismic activity, the pins (placed in drilled holes in the wall system) can be as close as 8 inches apart; in other areas, they are 4 feet apart and at each side of windows and doors.

Threaded screws eliminate the need for pre-drilled holes. This fastener type has grown in use because the installer drills and countersinks the screws with one effort, saving time and money. Although smaller in diameter than other fasteners, most threaded screws are heat-treated for equal or greater strength.



ACKERMAN HANDCRAFTED LOG HOMES PHOTO BY BRIAN PORTER

A Tight Seal

Bead between the lines

After you've carefully chosen a log profile, the corner style and the type and size of logs that will become your walls, there's one more crucial element to pick for your new home: The sealant that will keep out air, water and pests.

Sealants are applied between logs and around openings to keep your home airtight. They are needed in log home construction because of the unique nature of wood and what happens to it after it is harvested. Once cut, the natural stresses the tree has endured in battling gravity and supporting its weight are released. As a result, the timber warps, twists and shrinks as it reaches a new equilibrium and loses moisture from its cells. Even standing dead timber or logs that are kiln-dried to a low moisture content still shift slightly after being fashioned into a wall system.

Recognizing this, log home designers have engineered their wall systems to allow for movement while maintaining a tight seal. The greatest amount of movement or settlement in your wall system will occur during the first three to five years after construction, depending on your climate and your wall system. After this period, there may be more movement throughout the course of the home's lifetime, but it's not likely to be noticeable. So, a successful sealing system should accommodate a great amount of movement in the first few years, as well as slower changes that occur over time.

Where can infiltration occur? Certain locations, particularly around doors and windows or at a corner, are more prone to leaks. Seldom do sealing products fail in more than one or two locations, unless the home was not built to the producer's construction specifications. With today's building systems, serious failures—where you see daylight between logs, for example—are extremely rare. More probable is a slight draft or a visible water stain where a seal has broken. If the home has been caulked or chinked, bubbles will indicate where maintenance is needed.

In these instances, the remedy is as basic as caulking or chinking the area, or removing a window or door and reinstalling it. Though minor, these problems can be an annoyance. Ask your builder and log home producer what kind of warranties they offer and read about the terms and conditions that apply.

Sealant Types

Mother Nature's goal with wood, once it has been harvested, is to encourage decay with an arsenal of relentless forces that include sunlight, wind, water and insects. Fortunately for log home owners, the sealant industry has perfected a wide variety of innovative products that are designed to foil the weather and protect these wall systems.

Sealants vary in their ease of application, cost, durability and aesthetic appeal. Log home producers typically recom-

mend one or more sealant product lines to match their log profile or building system. Builders often have their favorite products as well. The sealants used on your home may be caulk, chinking, splines, foam gaskets and adhesives. Each product has its benefits and drawbacks.

Caulk

Many home owners and builders use caulk, which is an effective and affordable method for sealing a log home against the elements. For experienced builders, it's fairly easy to apply. However, novices and do-it-yourselfers should be aware that caulk can leave a visible seal of protection. Neatness counts, and it may take extra time to do a careful job. Wall movement and other factors can affect caulk performance and cause bubbling over time. Caulk may need to be re-applied every few years, depending on the type of caulk used and the climate.

Fortunately, the caulks used for log homes are becoming more and more durable. Caulk manufacturers, of which there are a growing number, have created specific product lines for log home construction.

The cost of caulk varies by type and brand. An inexpensive caulk may need replacing every few years, while a more expensive caulk could last for decades. But cost and performance aren't the only issues. To learn more, see "Checking Out Caulk" on page 90.

Chinking

Another common sealant material, particularly for handcrafted log homes, is chinking. Visible on the surface of the log walls, chinking is decorative and functional. Chinking can be a dramatic visual complement to a particular log profile or stain. It's popular among log home owners who want a hand-hewn or historic look.

In pioneer days, wide bands of chinking were strictly functional, as the logs didn't touch each other horizontally in early cabin construction. Primitive chinking was just about any material people could stuff between logs to keep out wind and rain—usually clay mixed with straw. More recently, mortar or cement was used, but this pulls away from the logs once it hardens.

A host of new chinking materials has emerged during the past 20 years. Modern chinking performs much like caulk does in terms of preserving the home's seal. It can be used on the interior and exterior of your walls. However, like caulk, chinking may need maintenance and reapplication over time.

Unlike the chinking used in times gone by, modern chinking remains soft and pliable for years. It has excellent adhesion, cohesion, recovery and durability. If you visit a recently built chinked log home, press the material with your finger. You'll find that after you pull away, the material instantly recovers its shape. This elasticity is what makes it useful for keeping the home weathertight even with log movement.

Keep in mind that it's slightly more labor-intensive to apply chinking than caulk. So, although chinking is affordable, the cost of labor to apply it on a large home can add up.

Splines

Another sealant technique is splines. These are long thin strips of rigid material that serve as a bridge between logs once they are inserted into slots

GASKET FEATURES

When comparing gasket materials, consider these six factors.

1. Ease of installation. Some gaskets come with a self-sticking adhesive strip to make installing them on the logs a snap. Other gaskets are simply stapled onto the logs.

2. Wood preservative compatibility. Whether the preservative will be applied to your logs before or after construction, make sure your gasket is compatible with it. Some foam gaskets will adhere only to untreated wood or will deteriorate if exposed to preservatives.

3. Water absorption. Whether open- or closed-cell, your foam gasket should have a low water-absorption rate.

4. Durability. Gaskets can break down over time and become brittle and crack from sun and ozone exposure.

5. Compression. This measures the ease that the gasket compresses when placed between logs; the lower the compression force needed, the better. If the gasket is difficult to compress, "log float" occurs, causing the logs to be slightly separated even after the wall is fastened.

6. Compression-recovery. This is the gasket's ability to return to its original height following compression. A high rate of recovery is desirable.

Choose wisely when deciding which sealant system to use and who will apply it. For information about the different sealant systems available, turn to the Suppliers Marketplace on page 418.

CHECKING OUT CAULK

If your builder or log producer chooses caulk as the sealant for your home, ask why. It's important for you to know; you'll need to maintain it. The choice may have to do with your climate, your log species or log style, or some other factor. Be sure to address these points:

Adhesion. Ability to stick to the surface of wood or other objects. The adhesion effectiveness may be reduced if applied to logs treated with preservatives.

Cohesion. Measures a caulk's ability to hold together when pulled apart.

Durability. Ability to retain its adhesive, cohesive and recovery properties over a 20- to 40-year period, enduring wall movement, temperature changes and other natural forces.

Cure rate. Time needed for the substance to form a non-sticky skin. This can be an issue because the dirt and dust blowing around your job site can stick to the caulk before it cures.

Shrinkage. Measures the evaporation of the caulk's solvent or water. Caulk's shrinkage is usually minimal because it is designed to absorb those stresses.

Recovery. Refers to caulk's elasticity or the material's ability to return to its original shape after repeated stretching.

Shelf life. How long the caulk retains its sealant qualities. Most containers include expiration dates.

Stainability. The ability to accept coats of paint or stain. Other than acrylics, most caulks accept paint or stain. Acrylic caulks come in a variety of colors.

Ease of cleanup. Water-based acrylics clean easily with soap and water. Butyl and oil-based caulks require mineral spirits. Slicone- and urethane-based caulks require a toxic substance, such as Toluene.

cut into the logs. Splines are commonly used at corners or butt joints (where two logs are joined end-to-end in a wall system). Many builders like using splines because, should caulking or a foam gasket fail, the splines will remain in place to seal the inside.

Splines can be made of wood, masonite or vinyl. Some builders and producers prefer vinyl, reasoning that other materials will crack or split when subject to the stress of wall movement.

Gaskets

Foam gaskets are flexible strips that can handle log wall movement while still keeping a tight seal. Many producers use them, typically placing them between the courses of logs and at corner sections to prevent drafts. They're usually made of polyurethane or polyvinylchloride and come in closed- or open-cell form. (For help comparing gasket materials, see "Gasket Features" on page 89.)

Don't confuse foam gaskets with expanding foam, an insulating material used in conventional construction. Because it expands dramatically upon application and then hardens, the material can actually separate the logs from each other and create gaps.

Closed-cell gaskets are composed of bubble-like cells that compress or expand to maintain the seal while shedding water. Open-cell gaskets also expand and contract but because they absorb liquid in a sponge-like fashion, they are soaked with oils or resins to repel water. Both closed- and open-

cell gaskets enjoy long life spans, up to as many as 40 years.

Construction Adhesive

A final option is a glue-like substance that dries to a semi-transparent amber color. Construction adhesives are popular because they are inexpensive and easy to use, which saves time and money during the building process. Once dry, adhesives lack any flexibility. If you are using extremely dry logs or a half-log system around a conventional stud-framed wall, construction adhesives are a good choice. But if you've opted for a full-log building system that will see significant settling or movement over time, consider a different sealant system.

Expect to see one or more of these sealant systems on your new home to keep it energy-efficient over the long haul. For example, some builders will use splines at the corners or butt joints with caulking and foam gaskets applied along the lengths of the logs.

Before You Seal

If you don't have a sealant preference, it's likely that your builder will. But don't automatically adopt his choice. Before giving your builder the go-ahead, take the time to visit log homes that are at least four years old. You'll see first-hand how the sealant has performed. Ask whether there have been any failures that could be attributed to the sealant. What remedies were used to correct them? If feasible, inspect the log walls, particularly the exterior of the south-facing side of the home, which will see more punishment from ultraviolet rays. Check for water stains inside. If caulk or chinking was used, look for bubbles in the material or areas that have been repaired.

Before you choose a sealant, take the time to visit log homes that are at least four years old. You'll see first-hand how different sealant types have performed over time.

After gathering your information, choose your sealant wisely. For information about available sealants, turn to the Suppliers Marketplace on page 418. ■

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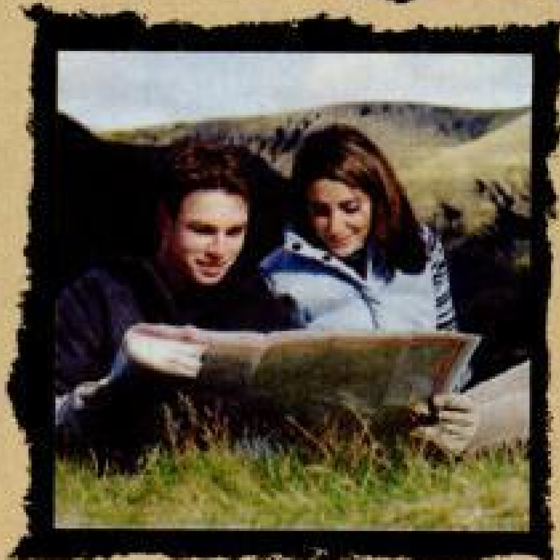
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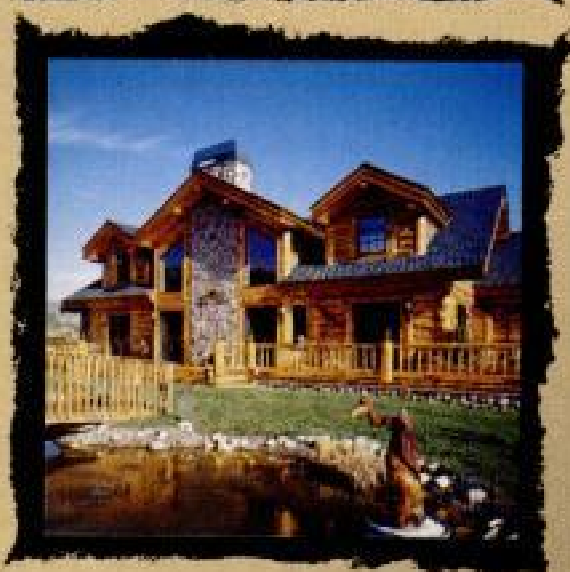
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Where the Buffalo Roam

A JOURNEY TO FIND HER ROOTS INSPIRES A MIDWEST WOMAN TO BUILD HER VACATION HOME IN MONTANA.

STORY BY Lisa Marquis Jackson · PHOTOGRAPHY BY Heidi A. Marty

Owning a log home was a dream shared for many years by Joan Ridell and her husband Norman. Long-time residents of Buffalo Grove, Illinois, the couple had thought about some day building in western Wisconsin. That plan changed with Norman's untimely death. Yet, Joan didn't give up on the idea of having a log home; she just altered it a bit. "My husband and I had often bought log home magazines and dreamed about building," she says. "After he died, I really needed a dream of my own."

The arrival of her 50th birthday helped spur Joan to action. She decided to drive westward from her Chicago-area home along the country's back roads. "It was as if someone was leading me on this journey," she recalls. The two-week adventure ultimately led her up the middle of Montana along the eastern front of the Rockies toward Flathead Lake.



OPPOSITE: To make the most of the view of Flathead Valley, the handcrafted spruce home features a deck on every level. ABOVE: Manufactured stone surrounds the wood-burning stove radiating heat into the room. The floors are of wide-plank fir.

CENTENNIAL LOG HOMES & FURNISHINGS PHOTOS





ABOVE: Behind the dining table, you can see the home's double-V interlocking corners. OPPOSITE: Shaker-style cherry cabinetry is used on the refrigerator and dishwasher. The dark, mottled green of the chairs, flooring, countertop and beaded back splash unify the room while providing contrast with the light-colored wood.

"I just decided very suddenly that I wanted to have a part of this," she says. That revelation led her to search for a vacation home site. While perusing the wooded area of Somers, at the northwest tip of the lake, Joan and her son happened on a 5-acre parcel. "The car got stuck in ice in front of the property," recalls Joan. "We got out and walked and the view presented itself to us. I immediately had a sense of coming home."

In a sense, she was home. Joan's father, who was part Native American, was raised on a Blackfoot Indian reservation in Montana. He often spoke about his early life to his daughter. And she continued to feel a longing to learn more about Montana and her heritage. "Something always stood in the way," says Joan. "Then I started realizing that you need to do the things you want while you can."

Buffalo Lodge

Once Joan had decided where to build, a log home seemed the logical choice. "The more I drove around and saw the



Swing Time

There's something about a hammock, with its gentle, rhythmic swaying, that says relaxation. If you're ready to add a hammock to your deck or yard, here are some tips to get you started.

Size. You can get a single or a double-width hammock or even go for the family-size, which runs about 60 inches wide. Or, if you'd rather sit than recline, you can opt for a single or double hammock swing.

Material. Hammocks are made of fabric or rope that is either cotton or soft polyester. These materials all work well, though polyester is the most resistant to mold and moisture.

Location. As you're deciding where to put your hammock, keep in mind that over time the sun takes a toll on the ropes; in particular, it fades colored rope. So, consider a shady spot.

Installation. A hammock stand is the quickest way to get started lounging, and a stand is a good choice if you have a flat spot for it. You can also hang your hammock from a ceiling beam or between two posts set in the ground. Or, perhaps you have two trees that are ideally situated.

The distance between the trees or posts should be about a foot longer than your hammock. Depending on the hammock's size, that distance is likely to be between 11 and 15 feet.

If you plan to use trees or posts, be sure they are at least 6 inches in diameter. That way, you'll know they are strong enough to support the weight of the hammock and a couple of people. Posts should be made of treated lumber and placed at least 2 feet into the ground. If soil is sandy, set them even deeper. Once you've dug the holes and put the poles in place, fill the holes with cement.



The Ridell family chose a deck for their rope hammock.

Hammock manufacturers recommend that, for ease of entry and exit, you hang your hammock about 15 inches from the floor, but the height is really a matter of personal preference. Based on the standard 15-inch distance, the screw hook you insert into the trees or posts to secure the hammock should be about 5 to 6 feet above the ground. Because some hammock materials stretch more than others do, it's best to follow the guidelines provided by the company that made your hammock.

Most hammocks you buy come with the necessary hardware. Typically, that means 2 1/2-inch bolts, lag bolts, hex nuts, washers and hooks, along with precut chains. Usually, the "S" hook attaches to the hammock on one end and the chain on the other. You simply hook the chain onto the screw hook you've installed in the tree or post. If you plan to use your own hardware, be sure to check weight limit recommendations provided by the hardware manufacturer.

beautiful, natural area, the more I felt a log home was the only thing that would fit," says Joan.

She spent six months researching books, magazines and the Internet—and took three more trips to Montana before choosing a local handcrafter, Centennial Log Homes, to create her home. The company specializes in hand-hewn Engelmann spruce. "Right away, my feeling was that this was what I wanted."

The property that had captivated Joan is situated on a mountain overlooking the Flathead Valley. Before committing to buy the land, Joan brought out Centennial's experts to be sure the sloped lot would accommodate the design she had in mind. "It took a lot of forethought for her to say, 'Take a look at this property and see what you think,' " says Centennial's general manager Josh Harmon. Once she got the thumbs-up, Joan decided to name her future home, "Iinii Nitoyis," Blackfoot for "Buffalo Lodge."

Centennial spent about nine months building Joan's 3,000-square-foot home. Each of the 12- to 14-inch diameter logs was cut to order for a specified position. Then, every log was coped along the bottom to fit the log below it. "When we stack these logs up, they are matched so tightly, you can hardly put a piece of paper between them," says Josh.

The 30-by-40-foot home features three levels, including a walkout basement. The principal entry is to the side of the main floor. Visitors enter a partially enclosed foyer that hides the mountain vista and then step around the corner to a spectacular scene. "It's kind of nice that you don't see the view when you come in," Joan remarks. "I like to watch people's faces as they come around the corner." The open design includes the dining room, kitchen and living room, but no fireplace. "I decided to go with a wood-burning stove instead," says Joan. "It was more economical and it works as a heat source." Local artist Holly Cutting





ABOVE: Originally meant for the main floor, the master suite instead was placed in the loft, where it could be expanded. The owner eliminated two closets to open the space and added a half-wall between the bedroom and stair landing that doubles as a dresser. LEFT: To take full advantage of the magnificent vista, the owner had the builder lower the window in the master bathroom and position the tub so she could look out while bathing.

created a mosaic stove pad from native stones that depicts a teepee and a buffalo. Cultured Stone, a cement product, surrounds the stove from floor to ceiling and radiates heat into the room. An in-floor radiant system provides added heat.

Joan chose ceramic tile for the kitchen, foyer and bath. Elsewhere, she opted for wide-planked fir with a natural finish.

She placed the deep kitchen island, which contains the cooktop, at an angle facing into the living area, "so you don't miss a thing." The countertops are a veneer that offers the look of solid surfacing at about two-thirds of the cost. The mottled deep green color of the painted bead board back splash and in the flooring provides a stunning contrast with the light cherry cabinets. Buffalo nickel pulls on the cabinetry carry on the theme.



The home's lower walkout level was designed for entertaining. The built-in bar is decorated with Cultured Stone, a manufactured cement product. On the walls, a unique treatment was achieved with red paint hand rubbed with a dark stain and topped off with a rustic crown molding.

Taking in the View

Although the original plan put the master suite on the main floor, Joan modified and expanded the loft for that purpose. On each side of the loft, a dormer and balcony were added, and the front of the loft was extended to overlook the kitchen.

To maximize the view, Joan eliminated the two closets detailed in the plan, says Josh. "At the top of the stairs where the closet was supposed to be, we made a half wall and designed a built-in dresser to replace the handrail," he says. The result was an entirely open space that frames the beauty outdoors.

"The view from my bedroom is fabulous," Joan says. "When I wake up in the morning, I can look right out across the lake from my bed." She can even admire the view from her bathroom. "I had them lower the window, so I could sit in that beautiful tub and look out." The changes she initiated are so popular with customers that Centennial created the Lakeview plan based on her modifications.

Joan designed the lowest level for entertaining. In the family room, a local artisan created a unique treatment by painting the walls red and hand-rubbing them with a dark stain to create depth. The area was finished off with lightly stained crown molding. "The finish really brought the ceilings down and made the room inviting," Joan says. The centerpiece of the room is a built-in bar crafted from manufactured stone. French doors open to a deck with a hot tub and hammock. (To learn how to hang a hammock, see "Swing Time" on page 98.)

Joan spends 12 weeks a year at Buffalo Lodge and auctions off a one-week stay for a local charity. "What's great about the house is that it lives large, and it lives small," she remarks. "I can be there with 15 people and have large areas to be together and places for people to go off by themselves. If I'm here alone, I never feel like I am wandering around in a great, big barn." Despite it size, says Joan, Buffalo Lodge is intimate. ■

Home Details

Square footage: 3,150

Package price: $61,025

Chair and bench in master bedroom, dining room chairs, leather chair in living room: Restoration Hardware, 15 Koch Road Suite J, Corte Madera CA 94925; 800-762-1005; www.restorationhardware.com

Cultured faux stone on bar: Stone Products Corporation, P.O. Box 270, Napa CA 94559-0270; 800-255-1727

Dining room chandelier: Progress Lighting, P.O. Box 5704, Spartanburg SC 29304-5704; 864-599-6000

Faux finishes on wall, murals in bedroom and bathroom: Patina, 128 Woodland Ave., Kalispell MT 59901; 406-253-4250

Hutch and rocking chair: Amish Furniture Shoppe, 636 Deerfield Road, Deerfield IL 60015; 847-267-1994

Kitchen cabinetry: Cornerstone Cabinetry, 2185 Highway 2W, Kalispell MT 59901; 406-755-8999

Log producer, architect, general contractor, log furniture: Centennial Log Homes & Furnishings, 5306 Highway 2 West, Columbia Falls MT 59912; 406-892-7050; www.centennialloghomes.com

Masonry: Buffalo Trail Artworks, 305 Buffalo Trail, Somers MT 59932; 406-857-3391; www.buffalotrailartworks.com

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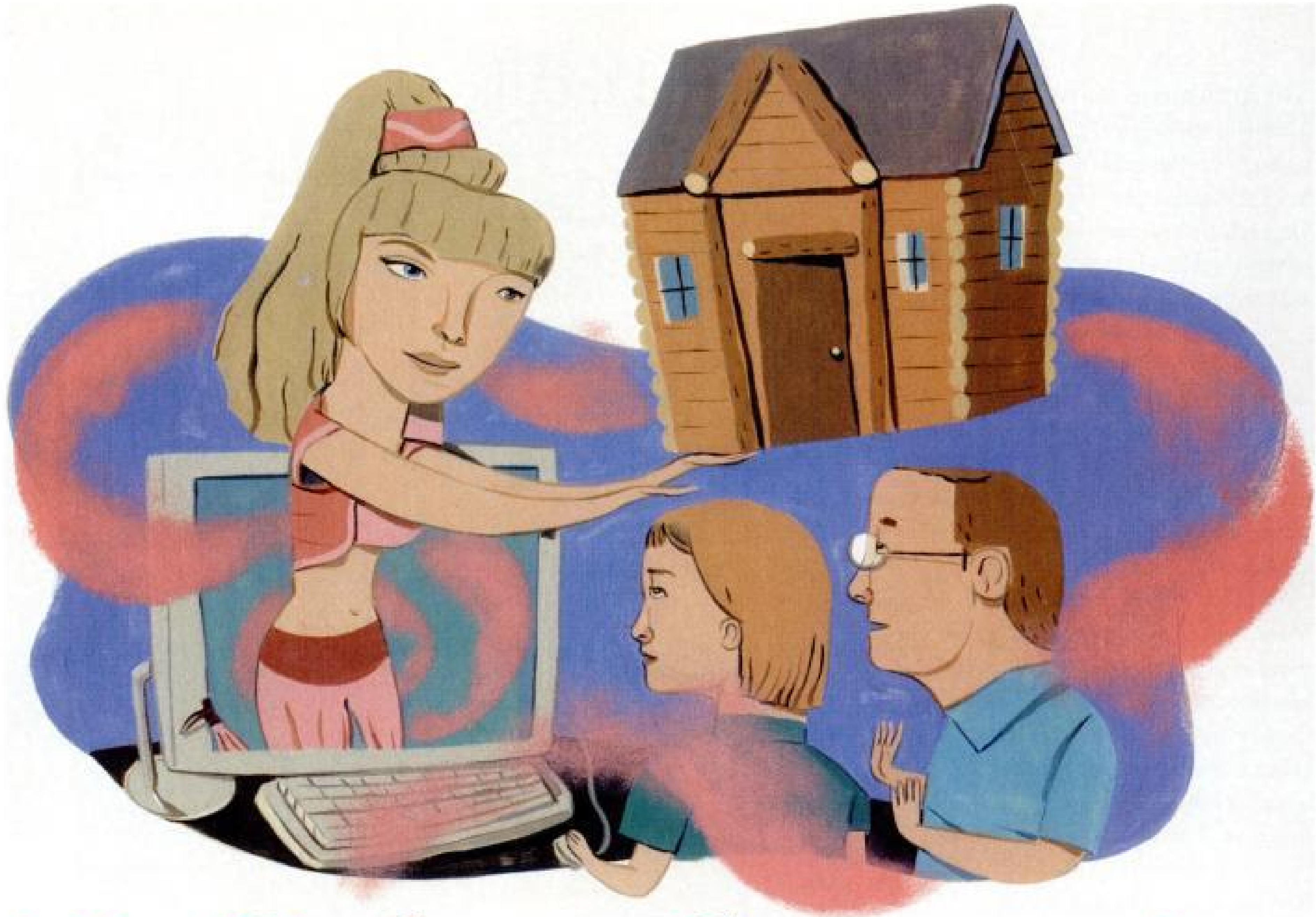
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12 Cyber Strategies

RESEARCHING YOUR DREAM HOME ONLINE CAN SAVE YOU TIME, ENERGY

BY Charles Bevier

The Internet has revolutionized not only how consumers buy and build log homes, but also how they maintain and decorate them.

Just ask log home builder Bobby Glenn. Last year, three of the 11 log homes he sold were to clients he never met until the day they showed up at his open house in Crittenden, Kentucky, to price specific floorplans.

"They were very well-informed and they knew exactly what they wanted," recalls Bobby, owner of Tri-State Log Homes and a builder-dealer for Kuhns Bros. Log Homes in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. "I think people find it very appealing to research their questions from the comfort of their homes. One of them even found their land online."

Back in the olden days, think 10 years ago, it might have taken you months or even years to cautiously compile all the facts you need to choose a log home. No more. The Internet has placed much of the log home industry at your fingertips.

Once you start surfing the Internet, however, you quickly discover that the challenge is not how to find information, but rather how to get what you need without spending the rest of your life online. For example, a search for "log homes" on www.yahoo.com, one of the better-known online search engines, turned up 1.13 million web sites in 0.06 seconds (on a cable modem). On www.google.com, another top search engine, it took just 0.09 seconds to turn up 1.12 million web sites.

Even conducting more advanced searches for a particular phrase doesn't narrow the field significantly. For example, more than 101,000 web sites talk about "Swedish cope," 478,000 sites pop up when you punch in the phrase "butt & pass," and 736,000 sites are devoted to "log furniture," according to Yahoo.

This glut of information shows the limitations of Internet searches. It also proves the enduring value of this Annual Buyers' Guide and why you should keep it near your computer when conducting any online research.

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To help you get even more from your time on the Internet, we've come up with the following 12 strategies. Just be aware that it's cheap and easy to create a web site that makes a company appear legitimate. We encourage you to exercise due diligence before committing any money to a company. (More about that later.) Now to the strategies.

1 **Decide on a look you love.** There are more than 400 log home producers in North America and you can't visit them all. To help narrow the field, use this magazine and the Internet to decide on the look (the profile, corner section and tree species) you find appealing. Many producers and builders have photo tours of homes on their web sites, so you can discover the kind of log system that's right for you.

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3 **Look for industry affiliations.** Joining an association usually means a company is a good citizen within its industry. So check whether the companies you see on the web mention their affiliations. The Log Homes Council of the National Association of Home Builders (www.loghomes.org) is one of the key associations. Members subscribe to a log-grading program, adhere to a rigid code of ethics and must have a detailed construction manual to ensure their homes are built correctly. Another resource is the International Log Builders' Association web site (www.logassociation.org), which is dedicated to furthering the craft of handcrafted log building.

4 **Collect company literature.** Use the Internet to obtain producers' brochures, plansbooks, catalogs and videotapes (usually available online or through the Log Home Living bookstore). These materials will answer important questions about each company's products, business philosophy and commitment to quality.

5 **Choose a producer.** After deciding what log style, profile and tree species you want, use our Products & Services section of this guide to find several companies that offer the look you want. Then view their web sites and contact them by e-mail to have them competitively bid on your project. One way to compare packages is to ask in your e-mail, "What is included and what is not included in your log home package?" This way you'll be able to compare apples to apples.

6 **Locate a builder-dealer.** Most producers now offer maps or links on their web sites to help you locate log home dealers in your area. Peruse builder-dealers' web sites to see if they sell home packages, construct the homes or both.

7 **Exercise due diligence.** Even though Bill and Martha Deuchler had an instant bond with a potential builder of their log home on Oregon's Deschutes River, they called references and checked with the state contractor's board and the state's attorney general's office to see if there were any liens or judgments against the builder. "In Oregon you can do that over the Internet," says Martha. Many other states have similar capabilities. Before purchasing, do your homework and find out all you can about a company. Search engines can be useful, as can the hundreds of online companies that specialize in background searches.

8 **Flip through floorplans.** Since buyers are so fascinated with floorplans, many producers have created online libraries. Look for a link on a producer's home page that says "models," "plans" or "floorplans." On some sites, you can search by square footage, price or design.

Complete Log Home Information Just a Click Away

For nearly 21 years, **Log Home Living** has been helping people plan, build and live the dream of log home ownership. We encourage you to explore this magazine's very own web site (www.loghomeliving.com) and use us as your number one resource to successfully design, construct, maintain and decorate your new log home.

Whether this is to be your primary residence or a seasonal retreat, you'll find floorplans on our web site to fit nearly any lifestyle or budget. Get started by touring our Floorplan page that features schematic drawings of designs by a variety of producers. To find your ideal floorplan, you can search by total square footage or by company. Or use the drop-down menus to search for a floorplan with specific characteristics.

If you are dreaming of a handcrafted home, then visit our Handcrafter's Gallery for full-color photographic tours of today's most popular custom designs that are created by craftsmen using age-old tools and techniques.

Choosing to build a custom home can present you with a bewildering array of choices in products and amenities. Our online Buyer's Guide & Directory helps simplify this complex process by enabling you to search for specific suppliers and craftsmen or by product, service or location.

Log Home Living Institute Now Online

Ever wish there was one comprehensive source of factual information on all aspects of log home living and enjoyment? Now there is. It's called the Log Home Living Institute (LHLI).

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LHLI members receive the following services:

- **Consumer resource library.** A comprehensive collection of information and articles compiled during the past 21 years by the editors of **Log Home Living** magazine. LHLI members may access this invaluable resource to research any log home related question, or they may pose a question to the Institute's experts, who research and provide an answer to members for free.
- **Log Home Living magazine.** Now in its 21st year, this magazine is the official publication of the Log Home Living Institute. LHLI members can receive 12 months of **Log Home Living** at a $5 savings.
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9 Find financing. Most local lenders will not be familiar with financing log homes, which can lead to problems developing comparable homes on which to base their financing estimates and creating an appraisal of your home. Instead, try companies that specialize in log home financing. Two such companies, M&T Mortgage Corporation (www.systembuilt.com) and Farm Credit Services (www.e-farmcredit.com), have web sites that offer mortgage calculators, online applications and explanations of your financial options.

10 Find land. You can use the Internet to locate land by viewing local real estate agents' web sites or searching hundreds of online offerings, including Loopnet.com, USLots.com and LandandFarm.com. You can search these databases by state, county, price or size. Again, don't overlook the advertisers in this magazine, some of whom list land in the Suppliers Marketplace on page 418.

11 Decorate in style. Many craftsmen of log home furniture and accessories also have web sites where consumers can design one-of-a-kind creations. "While we build to order, customers can get a good look at the kind of work we do through all the photography we have on our site," says Freeman Mattson, owner of Rocky Mountain Log Furniture (www.rmlf.com) in Idaho Springs, Colorado. "About 65 percent of what we create for customers is shipped across the United States or all over the world. Shopping really is easier over the Internet. It really does work."

12 Maintain your investment. When will you need to reapply stains or finishes to your log home? And what products should you use? Many of the manufacturers of stains, sealants, caulking and chinking have comprehensive web sites that tell you how to protect what is likely your largest investment. Check out Cabot (www.cabotstain.com), Perma-Chink Systems (www.permachink.com), Sashco (www.sashco.com), Schroeder Log Home Supply (www.loghelp.com) and Weatherall (www.weatherall.com) for solutions for keeping your log home looking new.

Don't Just Dream It—Live It.

Whether you've been dreaming about having your own log home for decades or it's a newfound passion, simplify your life, your choices and your time by using this Annual Buyer's Guide in conjunction with the Internet. Also make use of the vast quantity of information on **Log Home Living's** web site and our advertisers' web sites to create a unique home from scratch that truly reflects your own personality. ■



ABOVE: While the home's main level is meant to showcase the view, the walk-out lower level offers living space, including two bedrooms and a large bath, a laundry room and a spacious family room. OPPOSITE: Seeking an alpine flavor, the home owner designed and drew the pattern for these Bavarian-style balusters on the staircase.



Mountain Manor

A CARRIAGE HOUSE IN THE ROCKIES TAKES ON AN ENGLISH ACCENT.

Oceanfront or mountaintop? That was the question George and Donna pondered when they decided to build a second home. "I have always been a beach person and thought we would buy something by the water," Donna says. Then they were lured by the call of the wild to the mountains.



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The couple was living on the eastern seacoast when they took their young son on a ski trip to Colorado's Vail Valley. "We loved the area and the year-round activity," Donna recalls. "Like so many others before us, we went back during the summer to visit friends, and that is when we purchased the land."

Having stayed as guests in an Alpine log home, the couple never even considered traditional construction for their retreat. "Once we made the decision to purchase the property, we also knew that we would put a log home there and Alpine was the logical choice," Donna recalls. The next question was, 'What should it look like?'



Building on a Slope

If you have your eye on a parcel that's not level, now is the time to think about the pros and cons of building on a hillside. Living on a slope has advantages; You can maximize views and minimize the amount of yard to care for.

"For some people, it's ideal," says Matt Stais, president of Matthew Stais Architects in Breckenridge, Colorado. "But for others, we have to explain several issues that they weren't aware of."

First, there's cost. While land on a slope may cost 20 percent less than a flat parcel initially, says Matt, the added expense of hillside construction offsets the savings. "It does cost more to build on a slope," he says. You have to use larger footings and install more reinforcing steel because the foundation of the home is doubling as a retaining wall. The dirt behind that wall can add four times the pressure that would occur if the home were built on flat land.

Costs to excavate and grade go up, too. If dirt must be dug out, trucked out and later brought back to the site, costs can run as high as $50,000, Matt says. Soil testing is more difficult on a slope. The steeper the site, he says, the more it costs for the soil report. Because of these issues, Matt will only undertake projects on slopes of 30 percent or less. That maximum percent translates to roughly a 9-foot drop from one side of the house to the other.

A slope also affects a home's layout. You may like to have your garage on the same level as the kitchen, says Matt, but with building codes dictating maximum slopes, that configuration may not be possible. To ease the trip upstairs, some home owners add dumbwaiters or full-size elevators.

A big issue for many of Matt's clients is how the house engages with the outside. This relates to everyday patterns of living, such as whether children can go outside without risk of slipping on the hill or whether there's a convenient place to let out the dog.

If you're considering a sloping lot, get advice from an architect or engineer before you buy, suggests Matt. An expert can view your floorplan and the parcel to judge whether the slope will accommodate the home you want and the way you want to live.

Built-in Privacy

George and Donna wanted their mountain home to be distinctive and appropriate to the surroundings. Both the contour of the land and the couple's aversion to front-facing garage doors led Alpine's designers to suggest building a main house with a separate wing uphill. An enclosed bridge connects the house to the wing, which houses the master bedroom suite upstairs and the garage below. Cars pass under the bridge into a secluded parking and turnaround area.

With the plans under way, Ken Harkias, the general contractor, contributed some key suggestions. "It was Ken's idea to set the garage into the steep hillside, and he sited the house for the [best] views," Donna recalls.

Because the garage wing was to be built into the hill, it couldn't be made from logs. Instead, Ken used log posts and roof beams, and covered the exposed walls with wood siding. To keep a unified look, Ken faced the garage with the same stone as the home's foundation and used the same roofing material. "Unless someone points it out to you," he says, "you don't notice that that portion of the house is not built with logs."

"George and I had nothing to do with the wonderful way the log work turned out," Donna says. "Our requests were for lots of peaks and valleys and varied rooflines. The artistry of the structure was totally Alpine."

The English Touch

The artistry of the interiors is Donna's doing. Discounting a Western theme as too predictable in a Colorado home, she chose English manor style instead. "First and foremost, we wanted it to be comfortable, timeless and not fussy," she says. "I like the idea of combining the rustic environment with the more formal [furnishings]. It provides an element of surprise. It is where the fun comes from."

Donna's decorating philosophy is to

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To create a look consistent with their home's mountain setting, the owners asked their architect to create peaks and valleys and varied rooflines. The result was an intricate pattern of chevrons, squares and triangles reminiscent of European designs.



The stunning silk chandelier throws soft light over the dining table, while matching wall sconces call attention to the logs and keep the perimeter of the room bright. Visually separating the dining area and the open kitchen is a Chinese altar table. It serves as a divider and doubles as a buffet table during large dinner parties.



ABOVE: Red granite countertops atop cabinets the color of Bing cherries set a festive mood. RIGHT: A loft above the living room is home to an intimate lounge. To the right is a 15-foot-long hallway that crosses over the driveway and connects the main house to the separate master suite wing.



choose a few colors and carry them throughout the space. She finds it gives a home a sense of serenity. For this house, she chose red, one of her favorite colors, and used it in every room.

The grand living room is a good example of how her design came to life. The space is divided into two intimate seating areas that allow for a choice of views—in one direction, the mountains, in the other, the fireplace. Sisal area rugs anchor the two areas. Neutral cream-colored couches feature soft red prints.







TOP: English-style furniture, especially the high four-poster bed of mahogany, creates a distinctive style in the master bedroom that is carried over into the adjoining bathroom suite. ABOVE LEFT: In the powder room, the antique dresser serves as a vanity. ABOVE RIGHT: In keeping with the style of 19th-century English manor houses, there are no built-in bathroom cabinets. In the master bathroom, toiletries and towels are kept in a glass cabinet.

Donna's plan for the kitchen also borrows from 19th-century English homes. "You will notice that I didn't use many upper cabinets. That was the style of the English manor house at the turn of the century. Cabinets were mostly waist high and lower," Donna notes.

Once she decided on red granite for the countertops, all other decorating decisions about the room fell into place, starting with the bright cherry color of the facing on the island.

A Quiet Place

Donna and George decided to put the master bedroom in the detached wing to create a quiet retreat. When family or guests are up early or late, the couple is not disturbed. "We have a lot of privacy. There can be 10 people in the house and we aren't on top of each other," Donna says. "The floorplan is what really makes it all work for us."

Both the master bedroom and the adjoining bath reflect the British influence. In the bath, Donna used wainscoting, a nod to the period she was re-creating. "In that era, they used furniture in the bathroom rather than cabinets, so we have no cabinets in any of the bathrooms in the house," she says. "English homes during the early 1900s were reflecting Chinese influences, so I included an Asian table and bamboo shades."

A Bit of Whimsy

In contrast to the home's predominant English theme, Donna decorated some rooms in a lighter, simpler vein. For the bathroom, she chose a seashell-encrusted chandelier. Even the laundry room, on the lower level, got a fun treatment. "Why not have a bright and enjoyable space? I spend at lot of time there! It's as easy to have a fun laundry room as it is to have a boring one," she says.

"I know there were times during the process when Ken wondered about what I was doing, like when I told him I was putting a chandelier in the bathroom," Donna recalls. "But now I know he is very proud of the work he did on the house—and he should be!"

George, Donna and their 12-year-old son visit their Colorado home during summers and on school holidays for recreational time together and for rest and renewal. The couple's two older children and their spouses use the house almost as much as George and Donna do. "If you want to keep your adult kids coming back," Donna advises, "just build a log home in the mountains!" ■



A bridge forms a stylish connection between the main house and the wing containing the master suite and garage. By using the same type of roofing and stone facing, the builder disguised the fact that the wing isn't log but concrete with wood siding.

Home Details

Turn-key price: $175 to $225 per square foot*

Square footage: 5,237

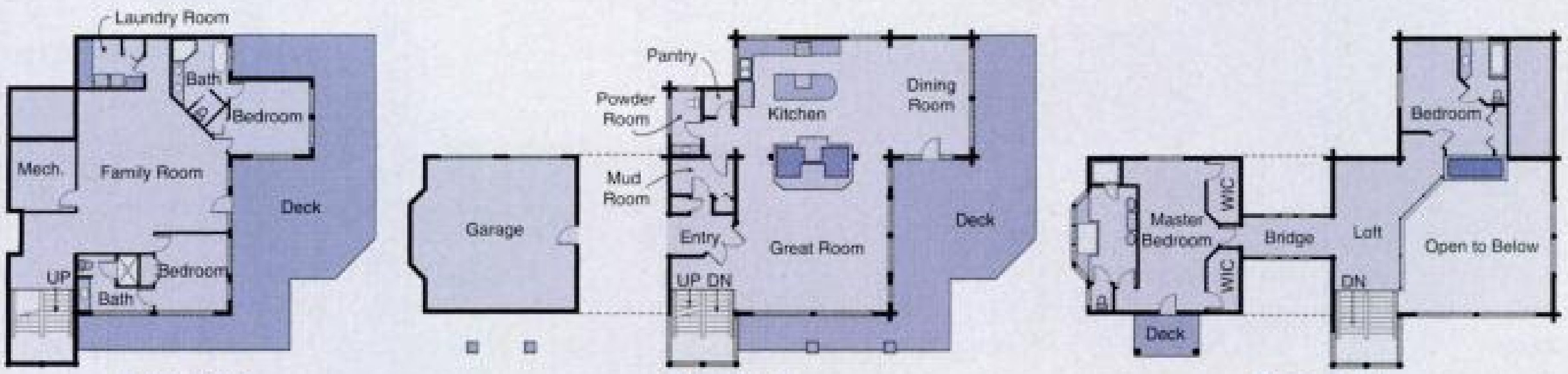
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Division in Pennsylvania. M&T and some other lenders take a broader approach and include all types of custom homes when developing comparisons. This can be important. If your lender looks at only log homes, that reduces the chance of finding true comparables, and the value of the log homes the lender picks may negatively affect your appraisal. Also, if a bank only considers log homes and none exist nearby, you won't be able to get a loan from that lender, and you'll have to start the process over with another company.

Money To Build

If you've ever purchased an existing home, you know something about applying for a mortgage. When you build a home, there's an added step. You'll need a construction loan to pay for the materials and labor. Then, once the home is finished, you'll need a mortgage. So, ask your prospective lenders how they handle these two loans. Some will give you a construction loan and refinance it into a conventional mortgage. In effect, these are two loans, which means you have to go through two settlements and two sets of related costs. A better alternative in most cases is a single-settlement loan, which works this way: When you are approved for a mortgage, the lender provides a construction loan for some fixed period of time—typically 12 months. At the end of that time, or when construction is finished, the loan automatically converts to a home mortgage without extra costs.

Your loan terms are also affected by how you manage construction. If you want to be your own general contractor, prepare to pay a higher interest rate. The reason for this, explains Mike, is that history shows you'll take longer to build and you have a greater risk of not finishing.

"A log home that takes five to six months [for a professional] to build typically takes 10 or 11 months when the owner is also the builder," says Mike. Because of that, you might pay 8 percent for a construction loan versus the 5 1/2 percent you'll pay if a professional builder does the job. When calculating what you think you could save without a general contractor, Mike advises, don't forget to adjust for the extra interest you'll be paying for your loan.

What about interest rates? The rates and fees attached to a loan are important, of course, but at the beginning, they're secondary, says Jeff Gruhler, a California mortgage broker with NationWide Mortgage. "Everyone's personal financial situation is different. Find a mortgage broker or loan officer you can work with. It will be worth every penny you spend," says Jeff. "Your construction loan is typically a nine-month, or 12-month process, so you want to have a good feeling with whoever sets up this loan for you."

Qualifying for a Loan

Once you've identified a lender, it's the lender's turn to ask questions. Along with an application, the lender will ask you to provide two sets of documents. For the construction loan, you'll need to show details about the cost of your home. For the mortgage, you'll need evidence of your ability to repay the bank.

"The first step in financing is to take a financial inventory to assess how good a risk you are," says Jeff. Lenders will want to know the loan-to-value amount (LTV), that is, the percent of the total

How Lenders See You



Any lender will check your credit history before agreeing to lend you money to build a log home. In addition, lenders buy what's called a credit score. Your score is a snapshot of your financial wherewithal. It is calculated using a mathematical equation by a computer that compares your credit record to thousands of other credit reports. Because the software was developed by Fair Isaac Corp., the results have come to be called FICO scores.

"Your FICO score is the all-important number in grading your financial picture to a lender," says Jeff Gruhler, a mortgage broker with NationWide Mortgage.The higher your score, the lower the risk you present. Each lender sets its own requirements, depending on the type of property, the home's type and location and your credit information. A FICO score of 500 will typically reveal a borrower who has filed bankruptcy and never paid their credit card bills, explains Jeff. A score of 800 is the borrower who probably has one mortgage, and one credit card with a $500 balance and always has paid the bills on time.

Lenders buy FICO scores from credit reporting agencies, including Equifax, Experian and TransUnion. Each may come up with a different score for you. Often, lenders get all three scores, says Jeff, and use the score in the middle.

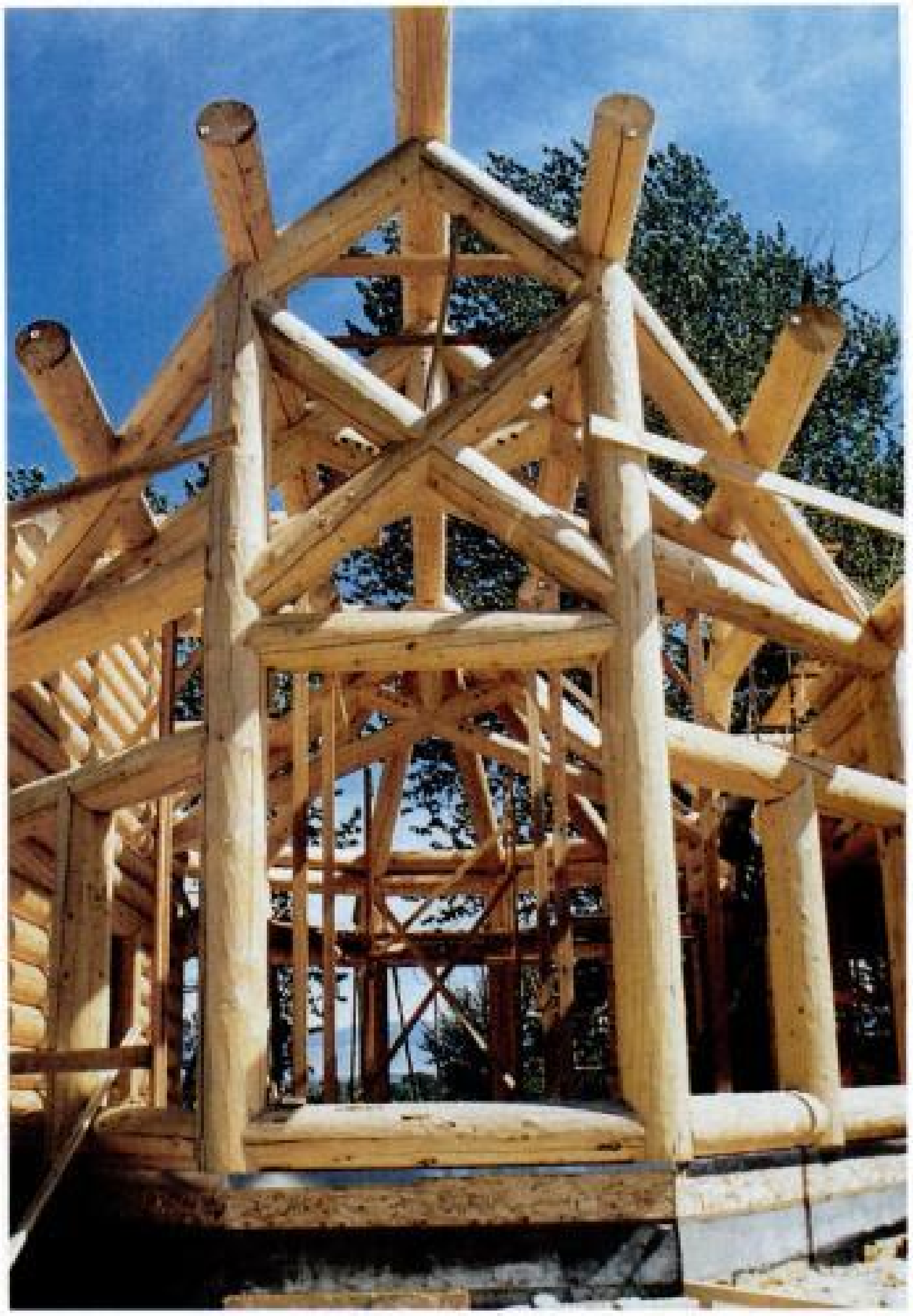
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Construction Training Camp

The log home construction process is in a league of its own.

In the movie "Field of Dreams," Kevin Costner's character heard a voice say, "If you build it, they will come." So he cleared his cornfield in favor of a baseball diamond. The calling to build a log home is not so different. Those who find themselves drawn to the soulful, rustic lifestyle that a log home provides also hear an inner voice. It nudges them to seek out the perfect location and build a one-of-a-kind house.

But getting from inner desire to completed home involves many steps and myriad choices. If you want everything to go smoothly, you need to understand the process and prepare for your role. Review the steps outlined here, then take a detailed look at who is responsible for each task in our convenient Construction Time Line on pages 122 and 123. With this game plan in hand and your team in place, building your dream home will no longer be a fantasy.



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Step Up to the Plate

Long before your logs can be delivered, you need to prepare the site. One of the first and most important tasks will be to provide an access road so that construction vehicles and delivery trucks can easily deliver supplies and materials.

After clearing the way for your access road, spread crushed stone over it so the road will stand up to the heavy truck traffic. If the access road will serve as your future home's driveway, you can top the stones with a layer of fine stone or asphalt as the construction process comes to a close.

With the access road in place, your building site can be cleared of trees and brush. If you will not be connected to municipal systems, you need to install a well, which can be drilled at this stage. Once the well has been established, a subcontractor can install a drainage field and septic tank. One last task must be completed before construction can begin: The builder, home owner, excavator, foundation subcontractor or surveyor must map out the home's location. Once the spot has been surveyed, offset stakes are set in place to mark the home's boundaries and orientation. The excavator will use these stakes as a guide when digging the foundation and preparing the footings.

Create the Dugout

The next step in the construction process is to prepare footings, which support the foundation or crawl space and are the first sign of actual construction. If your log home plan calls for a traditional masonry fireplace, a footing for the fireplace is also poured at this time. Once the local building inspector inspects and approves the footings, the foundation walls can be constructed.

Foundations typically are made of concrete blocks or poured concrete. Concrete block, the most common material used for log homes, requires a crew of masons and, depending on the size of the home, it may take several days to a week to erect the foundation walls. Masons set the walls, buttering each block with mortar before setting it in place. After laying the block, the masons "parge" the walls by coating the exterior with a thin layer of cement.


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Poured concrete walls tend to go up faster than concrete block walls do. First, a masonry crew will set up wooden forms that will hold the liquid concrete until it has set. Then, the forms are filled with the concrete mixture, and it's allowed to cure overnight. On the following day, the crew returns to strip the forms, leaving behind brand-new foundation walls.

To make your basement as dry and comfortable as possible, your builder should take steps to ensure a waterproof, well-drained foundation. To accomplish this, he should coat the outside of the foundation with tar or another waterproofing compound. Then, around the foundation's base, he should install perforated plastic pipe atop a gravel bed that is sloped to promote drainage. If your home site is flat and doesn't allow the foundation's drain to carry water away, a sump pump should be installed. The sump is a small pit in the basement floor equipped with an automatic pump that expels water away from the foundation.

Once the walls have been waterproofed, an insecticide is applied to protect against termites and other insects that live underground and can damage your logs.

A solid foundation is the key to a structurally sound home, so be sure you carefully inspect the work before you move on.

With the foundation in place, it's time for your log home to start taking shape. Building the actual living space of your home starts with the subfloor. Some log home companies include materials for the subfloor system in their package price; others do not. For this example, let's assume the subfloor is not part of the log package.

Because the subfloor will help brace the foundation walls against the pressure applied by the soil, backfilling around the foundation is usually done once the subfloor is complete, which usually takes only

The speed of your log home's construction depends on the type of log system you choose and the size of your building crew.

one to two days. (Some foundation walls may require additional bracing. Your general contractor should advise you if this is necessary.)

With the subfloor in place, your home site is ready for logs. On delivery day, several tractor-trailer trucks loaded with logs and other building materials will make their way along your access road to the building site. When they arrive, a forklift or crane unloads the trucks. The contents are sorted and inventoried, then it's time to stack the log walls.

The method and speed of log construction depends on the type of building system your log producer recommends and the size of your building crew. A crane may be needed to stack large round or square logs. Because of the diameter of these logs, the walls should go up quickly. Small-diameter logs can be set by hand, but it will take longer to stack them. Raising time can vary from a few days to a few weeks.

During the log raising, it's a good idea to have your electrician on hand to discuss how wires will run through the log courses. The carpenters must know the location of the wall outlets and switches, so that they can prepare the logs for wiring as they are being stacked.

You also need to consider other issues. For example, in two-story homes, the floor system for the second level must be set into place before the roof is put on. Ceiling beams and floor joists are set by crane or hoisted by hand, depending on their size and location.

Cover All Your Bases

In addition to protecting the interior and exterior of your home, the roof you choose impacts your home's cost, aesthetic value and future maintenance needs. When it comes to roofs, there are numerous variations to framing, building and covering a log home.

Using conventional trusses and rafters is a quick and inexpensive way to frame the roof. Several types of truss and rafter

Construction Time Line

Although every log home is as unique as the people who own it, most are built using the same basic steps and timelines. The following sample schedule will help you to learn the sequence of events and the people involved in each stage.

If the company representative or dealer you choose to work with also will serve as your builder, that representative will complete the general contractor tasks. The abbreviation "Rep" stands for log home company representative or dealer.

Activity	Contractor Responsible
1. Construction Schedule	
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• Insurance agent	
• Individual subcontractors	
2. Site Cleaning and Excavations	
Call excavation contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Cut or grade entrance road or driveway	Excavation
Install culverts, spread crushed stone, etc.	Excavation
Clear building site and material storage area	Excavation
Dig basement excavation, haul or store dirt	Excavation
3. Water Well	
Call water well contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Drill water well	Well Driller
4. Septic System and Drain Field	
Call septic contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install septic tank and drain field	Septic
5. Temporary Utilities	
Call contractors and utilities to confirm work schedule	General
Install temporary toilet facilities	Supplier
Install temporary electricity	Electric Utility
Install temporary telephone	Telephone Co.
Call for inspections as needed	Subcontractors
6. Footings	
Call contractors and confirm work schedule	General
Locate and dig footings and pier pads	Concrete
Install access pipe for under-foundation utilities	Plumbing
Call for footing inspections	Concrete
Pour concrete foundation footings and pier pads	Concrete
7. Pest Protection	
Call contractor and confirm work schedule	General
Apply pest protection chemicals	Exterminator
8. Foundation	
Call concrete contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install forms for poured concrete foundation	Concrete
Call for foundation inspection	Concrete
Pour concrete foundation	Concrete
Install waterproofing, parging or insulation	Waterproofing
9. Subfloor	
Call carpentry contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install subfloor, beams, posts as required	Carpentry
10. Backfill and Rough Grade	
Call excavation contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Backfill around foundation	Excavation
Rough grade slope for lawn	Excavation
11. Delivery of Log Home Package	
Call producer or builder to confirm delivery schedule	General
Confirm amount of final payment for logs	General
Confirm amount due for delivery charges	General
Arrange to have certified checks available	General
Prepare material storage area	General
Assemble equipment/manpower to unload logs	General or Rep
12. Unloading and Storage of Logs and Materials	
Unload materials, protect per instructions	General or Rep
Check materials against shipping manifest	General or Rep
13. Weathertight Log Shell and Interior Partitions	
Call log dealer or representative to confirm schedule	General
Erect log walls following construction manual	Carpentry or Rep
Install windows and doors per plan	Carpentry or Rep
Erect interior wall partitions	Carpentry or Rep
Install roof system and sheathing	Carpentry or Rep

Activity	Contractor Responsible
14. Roofing	
Call roofing contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install roofing felt, flashing and shingles	Roofing
15. Fireplace and Chimney	
Call masonry contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Erect fireplace and chimney	Masonry
16. Plumbing	
Call plumbing contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install rough plumbing system	Plumbing
Call for plumbing inspection	Plumbing
17. Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)	
Call HVAC contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install rough HVAC ductwork and equipment	HVAC
Call for mechanical inspection	HVAC
18. Electrical	
Call electrical contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install rough electrical wiring and service panel	Electrical
Call for electrical inspection	Electrical
19. Framing Inspection	
Call for framing inspection	General
20. Interior and Exterior Concrete Work	
Call concrete contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Pour concrete floors, driveways and walkways	Concrete
21. Ceiling Insulation	
Call insulation contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install ceiling insulation	Insulation
22. Wall Insulation and Soundproofing	
Call insulation contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install wall insulation and soundproofing as required	Insulation
23. Interior Walls and Ceilings	
Call drywall contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install gypsum wallboard and tape	Drywall
24. Paint, Stain and Wallcoverings	
Call painting contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Apply interior paint, stain, wallcoverings	Painting
Apply exterior paint, stain, preservatives	Painting
Apply interior and exterior chinking and caulking	Painting or Caulking
25. Finish Floor Coverings	
Call flooring contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install hardwood flooring	Flooring
Install resilient or ceramic tile	Flooring
Install padding and carpet	Flooring

Activity	Contractor Responsible
26. Interior Finish and Trim	
Call carpentry contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Install interior doors and hardware	Carpentry
Install interior window and door trim	Carpentry
Install baseboard base and shoe	Carpentry
Install wall moldings, chair rails, etc.	Carpentry
Install cabinets, countertops	Carpentry
Install vanities, bars, soap dishes, mirrors	Carpentry
Install closet shelves, poles, hardware	Carpentry
Install stair treads, railings, balusters	Carpentry
Install mirrors, medicine cabinets	Carpentry
Install tub and shower doors, rods, etc.	Carpentry
Install drapery rods	Carpentry
27. Finish Plumbing	
Install plumbing fixtures and appliances	Plumbing
Call for final inspection	Plumbing
28. Finish HVAC	
Install final HVAC equipment and test	HVAC
Call for final inspection	HVAC
29. Finish Electrical	
Install fixtures, appliances, outlet covers, etc.	Electrical
Call for final inspection	Electrical
30. Exterior Finish and Trim	
Install window and door trim	Carpentry
Install fascia, frieze and rake boards	Carpentry
Install soffit and porch ceilings	Carpentry
Install porch posts and railings	Carpentry
Install gable louvers, soffit vents, etc.	Carpentry
Install garage door and door opener	Carpentry
Install gutters and downspouts	Roofing
31. Landscaping	
Call landscaping contractor to confirm work schedule	General
Finish grading, seeding, sodding and shrubbery	Landscaping
32. Final Building Inspection	
Inspect work of subcontractors and make punch list	General
Review punch list (deficiencies) with contractors	General
Re-inspect building after corrections and accept work	General
Obtain lien waivers and approve final payment	General
Call for final building inspection	General
Obtain occupancy permit	General
Notify financial institution of completion	General
Notify insurance company of completion	General
Switch insurance to home owner's policy	General
Notify any other agencies of completion	General

33. Time To Move In!

systems may be used, depending on the design of the house. Many can be installed in a day. Using common trusses will give you flat ceilings inside the home. Scissor, king post and other types of vaulted trusses can be used to create high cathedral ceilings. A special type of truss—the attic truss—is designed to leave an open storage space in the center of the roof area.

Vaulted ceilings with open beams are often associated with log homes. These timbered roof systems are beautiful, but they do require more time and expense to build. The beams are set after the log walls are complete. An open-beamed roof system will use either rafters or purlins. Rafters run from the long walls to the ridge of the house. Horizontal purlins, which run parallel with the walls, are supported by the gable walls and by interior posts or partition walls if necessary.

To enclose the roof, a layer of tongue-and-groove decking is typically nailed over the beams. If purlins are used, the decking is laid from the home's long wall to the roof ridge. In a rafter system, it runs horizontally, parallel with the home's long walls. Layers of insulation are then applied, and the whole system is covered with plywood, creating a sandwich of wood and insulation. Structural insulated panels (SIPs) also can be used in vaulted ceilings.

Finally, the roof's exterior plywood is covered with tarpaper and shingles (or another type of roofing material). Once the roof tops off the structure, attention can be turned toward framing the home's interior elements.

The process of framing the interior of a log home is similar to framing done in conventional homes—with a few possible variations.

Partition walls, which are built with horizontal top and bottom plates separated by vertical studs, are made from 2-by-4s. Walls that will accommodate plumbing may be framed with 2-by-6s. In some houses, load-bearing walls are used to shoulder a portion of the weight of the

second-floor system and roof. While the interior is being framed, the plumber usually arrives to install tubs and prefabricated shower units.

Windows and doors are set in place once the framing is complete. At this point, the house is weathertight. Now interior work can proceed regardless of weather; however, workers may finish the exterior trim before moving indoors. Before applying the final trim, the crew usually will seal the home's exterior.

Either the carpenters or painters will apply one or more coats of a weatherproofing treatment or preservative to the logs to protect them from moisture, mildew and the sun's ultraviolet rays. Caulking or chinking is then applied between the logs, according to the log profile or style.

Organize Your Team

While the carpenters are hard at work trimming the home, mechanical subcontractors go to work inside, installing plumbing and wiring.

First on the scene is the plumber, who roughs-in the home's plumbing system by laying water and waste lines. Because these pipes are inflexible and set inside the framing, they are installed during the framing process before the other subcontractors begin their work.

As the plumber wraps up his work, the HVAC crew arrives to install galvanized ductwork, including the large, prefabricated main lines. The HVAC workers may wait to install heating or cooling units and basement ductwork, focusing instead on the elements of the HVAC system that will be concealed behind drywall or interior wood walls.

The electrician is the last mechanical subcontractor to arrive because flexible wiring can be maneuvered around the pipes and ducts that already have been installed. Like the other subcontractors, the electrician will concentrate on wiring those areas that will be concealed with-


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in the interior walls or logs.

With the pipes and wires in place, the building inspector can be called to review the workmanship before the interior walls are covered. Once the inspector approves the work, the house can be closed in (after insulation is installed in any framed exterior walls or roof).

Slide Into Home

As the house nears completion, a few final tasks must be wrapped up before you move into your new home.

The interior framed walls are enclosed, usually with drywall or tongue-and-groove wood paneling. As soon as any drywall has been sanded, the painters take over. They prime and coat the walls and may varnish logs and tongue-and-groove paneling, if those surfaces are ready.

When the paint and finishes are dry, the finished flooring is laid in the home's kitchen and baths. Then the cabinet installers go to work setting in place the finished cabinetry. With the cabinets securely attached, appliances are installed where designated. Later on, the mechanical subcontractors will attach these appliances to the wiring and plumbing systems.

Soon, the plumber, electrician and HVAC subcontractor return to the home. The electrician sets receptacles and fixtures. The plumber installs toilets and sinks and makes the water connection from a well or water line. The electrician completes the circuits and installs circuit breakers. The HVAC subcontractor sets heating and cooling units and final ductwork, then installs registers and wires the thermostat.

Meanwhile, trim carpenters are hard at work hanging interior doors and setting trim and hardware around the home's doors and windows. These carpenters also are responsible for the final details of the home, including the stairs, railings and moldings.

Outside, the excavator returns to complete the final grading. This project is handled as late in the construction process as possible. That way, the backfill that was placed around the foundation will be completely settled before final grading. After the site is graded, the yard can be sodded or seeded and landscaped, and a subcontractor can install the necessary gutters and downspouts.

Finally, when all of these tasks are complete, a carpet installer arrives to lay carpeting. Your general contractor will then oversee a final cleaning, remove stickers from windows and tubs and test all of the installed appliances.

It's not necessary for you to know the ins and outs of every facet of construction, but having a basic understanding of entire process will ensure that when you and your team go to bat to build your log home, you'll be sure to hit a home run. ■



A Love for Logs

THE ROAD TO HOME OWNERSHIP IS PAVED WITH A LOT OF EMOTION. BUT WHEN IT'S FINISHED, YOU'LL REALIZE THAT NOTHING GOOD (EVEN A LOG HOME) EVER COMES EASY.

BY Tim & Sue Lippert

Our decision to build a log home actually started 40 years ago. As a boy, my family spent every summer in a rented log cabin on northern Wisconsin's Lake Lucerne. Built in the mid-1950s, it isn't a state-of-the art log home by today's standards, but that old log cabin still stands today and was the inspiration for our new log home.

After 13 years of vacationing along the shores of Lake Lucerne, when the time came to select a site for our home, the decision was an easy one: It was to be on this same beautiful lake. The decisions that would follow were not as easy, however, and we hope that in relaying some of the things we learned while building our log home, we may help you as you pursue your dream.

Select the Right Personnel

We were living in southeastern Wisconsin, 250 miles away from our building site. Every time we took the four-hour ride to Lake Lucerne, we drove past a model log home. After several conversations with the business owner, we knew we had found our log provider. The logs are hand-peeled and the overall look is unique and rustic. From there, we found the two carpenters who would eventually build our home. Working with a small company and local subcontractors was not only more cost effective for us than going to a larger log home company, but we knew the end-result would be a high-quality, one-of-a-kind log home.

Choose the Right Plan

For years we pored over magazines like **Log Home Living**, searching for the right plan. We came up with a realistic budget and started a wish list. Instead of a full-log home, we decided on a stick-framed home with 8-inch half logs on the exterior and interior. We wanted a wraparound deck, a three-car attached garage, a sewing room and a dedicated laundry room.

We finally found a plan we liked and thought we could take it to an architect for modifications. What we soon discovered was that some architects cannot translate plans into real working blueprints. Our floorplan looked good, but it lacked structural integrity—a real necessity when building a log home. In addition, it provided no accommodations for HVAC systems, plumbing, etc. To correct these problems, we sought the expertise of a professional engineer. We highly suggest hiring someone familiar with log home construction and who can present you with a "complete" set of building plans.

Rely on People You Trust

We both wanted to supervise the project, so we decided to be our own general contractors. But due to the distance involved, we were concerned that being onsite only once or twice a week would not be enough. We knew we had to find a project manager who lived in the area—someone knowledgeable who could be trusted to be "our eyes and ears" in our absence. Friends who run a bed-and-breakfast near our building site introduced us to someone who fit the bill perfectly. We provided him with a phone list of all our subcontractors and a pre-paid phone card so he could easily call us and all of the subs. He met with our log provider, and we were on our way.

Manage Your Money

Cost overruns are commonplace when building a custom home, so initiate a money-management routine from day one. We used a simple computer program to record all our expenses. If you're miles away from your building site (as we were), make sure to take gasoline costs, lodging and meals into account. When we explained to several hotel owners that we were building nearby and would need a room at various times over several months, we were able



Love at First Site

PENNSYLVANIA NATIVES TAKE ONE LOOK AT ALL THAT A PARCEL OF WYOMING PROPERTY HAS TO OFFER AND FIND THEY CAN'T RESIST ITS CHARMS.

STORY BY Linda Vaccariello

PHOTOGRAPHY BY Roger Wade

If you were looking for the perfect place to build a vacation home and you specified a great view, you could reasonably expect to find it. You might even be more specific and say that you wanted a great view and a trout stream, and even then you could have hopes that somewhere in America the Beautiful there would be a plot of land with your name on it. But tell your real estate agent that you want a phenomenal view, a trout stream and a guaranteed moose or two? All bets are off.

This is why Ken and Caroline Taylor jumped at the chance to buy a particular piece of land near Jackson Hole, Wyoming. The first time they visited the site they were awed by the incredible view of the Teton Mountain range and charmed by Fish Creek, a spring-fed tributary of the Snake River that offers world-class trout fishing. And as they stood there taking it all in, a couple of moose ambled past. Well, the Taylors *love* moose, and their timely appearance on the couple's potential property sealed the deal. They decided at that moment to build a house that would take advantage of all that their environment has to offer.



OPPOSITE: The view from this home is out of this world. With the front doors flung open, you are immediately greeted by the Teton mountain range through large, uninterrupted windows. **ABOVE:** A second-story gallery that overlooks the great room is based on post and beam design. The loft's bump-out serves as a shared sitting area for the guest rooms.

CUSTOM LOG HOMES AND ELLIS NUNN & ASSOCIATES PHOTOS/STYLED BY DEBRA GRAHL



BELOW: The great room's custom-made log pool table and built-in media center help everyone relax. Local artisans crafted the matching moose-themed chandelier and billiard lamp. OPPOSITE: In the dining room, buttercream-colored paint perfectly complements this log-sided home's rafter and beam accents.



Located on a plot of Pennsylvania farmland, the Taylors' main residence has been in Ken's family for 200 years. They love it, but they wanted their second home to be a real getaway for them and their two grown sons, Trey and Matt. In fact, it was when Matt moved to Jackson Hole after college that Ken and Caroline fell in love with the area. To give their son some privacy, they bought a condo to accommodate their frequent visits, but three years ago they took the plunge, building a full-fledged family retreat.

The Taylors called on architect Ellis Nunn of Jackson Hole to design this rustic house, which is big enough for them, their frequent guests and all the recreational gear that is central to their active lives. They liked the idea of a log house,

The Look of Log

If you stood in front of Ken and Caroline Taylor's house, could you tell that it isn't made of stacked logs? Probably not; the craftsmanship of this log-sided house is pretty convincing. The illusion is created by using hand-adze-finished white pine log slab siding both outside and inside. Adding chinking makes the effect even more authentic.

There are several reasons some home owners prefer log siding to full logs. Some feel it will be more suitable for complex architectural designs; others believe it will be easier for their contractor to build or more adaptable if the house is enlarged in the future. Still others don't want to deal with traditional log wall settlement. But many people select this type of construction because they want logs on the exterior but not on the interior. Since the interior walls of a log-sided house can be finished using a number of different methods, including drywall, structural insulated panels (SIPs) or even more half-log siding, this technique supplies the flexibility some prospective log home customers are looking for.

If you think a log-sided house is for you, how "real" it will look depends on the craftsmanship of the producer and the options and accents you choose.



Creamy white tile on the walls and variegated beige granite countertops brighten the kitchen's alder wood custom cabinetry.



but they wanted more architectural flexibility, so they chose to build a log-sided house that combines both post and beam and conventional construction. Their log producer was Custom Log Homes of Stevensville, Montana.

The home's unique package, which consisted of framed walls, post and beam components and hand-hewn log siding, was delivered and assembled under the supervision of a Custom Log Homes representative. Once all the pieces were onsite, the construction was handed over to the project's general contractor. It was finished 18 months later, in time for Matt and his bride to hold their wedding in this beautiful setting.

Advantageous Design

The house is designed around a central core of open rooms with wings off of either side. The entrance is grand and inviting, with sweeping stone steps and double doors that allow you to look straight through the house to the view beyond. As you walk up the steps, the perfectly positioned doors frame the towering Grand Teton and the surrounding steep, rugged peaks that keep it company. The whole house is oriented toward this view, but it's the entrance that eloquently announces what lies ahead.

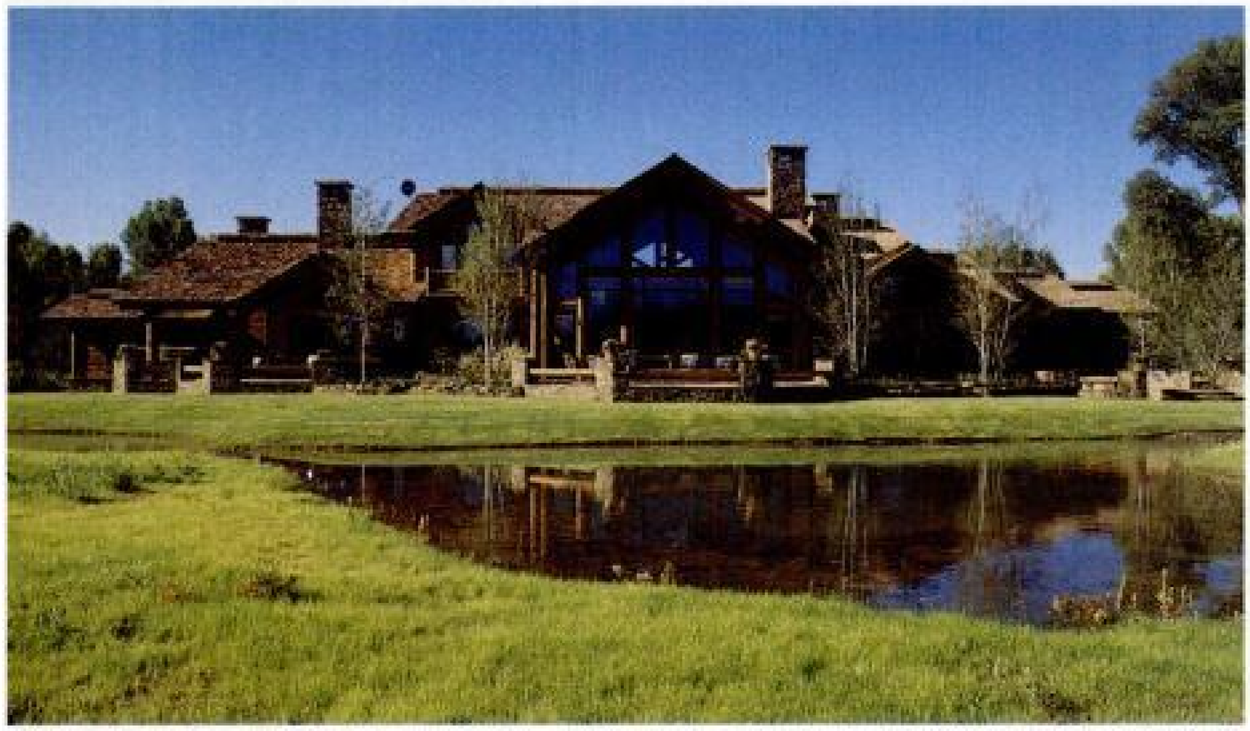
Inside, the great room is dominated not only by the spectacular view but also by a substantial hearth. The chimney soars to meet the massive timbers of the intricate roof system, which is both architecturally interesting and essential, since it is engineered to handle the heavy snow load typical of a Jackson Hole winter.

In fact, the house is full of fireplaces to ward off the frosty mountain air. In addition to the great room, the den, master bedroom and family room are each equipped with their own dose of "fire power." The stone used inside and out is Montana moss rock. Ken and Caroline



The fire screen in the family room, with its waterfowl motif, is a nod to the birds that visit the home owners' ponds. Large fixed-pane windows take in the home's all-encompassing woodland vistas.



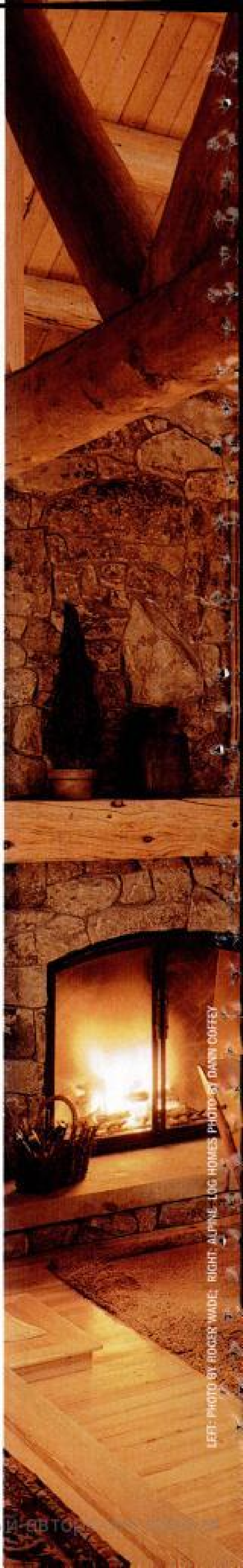


ABOVE: Remote-controlled blinds are cleverly hidden beneath the master bedroom's plaid window valances. LEFT: A multitude of gables creates a varied roofline that isn't merely attractive to look at; it lightens the load of Wyoming's heavy, wet snow.

considered using river rock, but they prefer the moss rock's chunky, rough quality and earthy color.

Although the entire house is quite comfortable, it's the family room/breakfast area, which opens off of the kitchen, that is everyone's favorite spot. "We should have made the family room bigger, since everyone wants to hang





LEFT: PHOTO BY ROGER WADE; RIGHT: ALPINE LOG HOMES PHOTO BY DAWN COFFEY

Great Looks

TOP TIPS FOR DECORATING YOUR LOG HOME

BY Roberta Maynard

Log home owners love to gather ideas about how to enliven their decor. Even folks who haven't built yet soon begin mulling over how to make their new home a special place that will reflect their personality and lifestyle, which, after all, is the essence of decorating.

Getting that right combination of furniture choices, accessories and color schemes isn't always easy, however. To help you make smart decisions, we asked top interior designers and decorators around the country to address 17 of the most common concerns about log home decorating. Here are the questions and the experts' answers.

out there," Caroline says.

Since she spends a lot of time in the kitchen, Caroline naturally wanted a window so that she could enjoy the mountains while she was hard at work preparing meals. But as important as this feature was to her, she labored over the rest of the kitchen's design, too. The couple frequently entertains, and Caroline wanted to make sure there was convenient storage for everything. The custom cabinets are made of alder, a wood not often used for cabinetry. The couple chose this species because they like its delicate grain and ample knots. They also opted for an unusual material—hickory—for the wood floors throughout the house, and the choice has harvested a lot of compliments.

The more private rooms of the house—Ken's office, the guest rooms, the master suite and the exercise room—are designed for function, comfort and exceptional natural views. Nowhere is that more evident than in the master suite. Windows on two sides of the room offer such a marvelous vista that it seemed a shame to put up coverings. So Cheryl Gallinger, the couple's interior designer, devised a solution—remote-controlled blinds concealed under plaid valances. On winter nights when there's a full moon they can turn the lights off, run the blinds up and lie in bed watching elk pick their way through fresh snow.

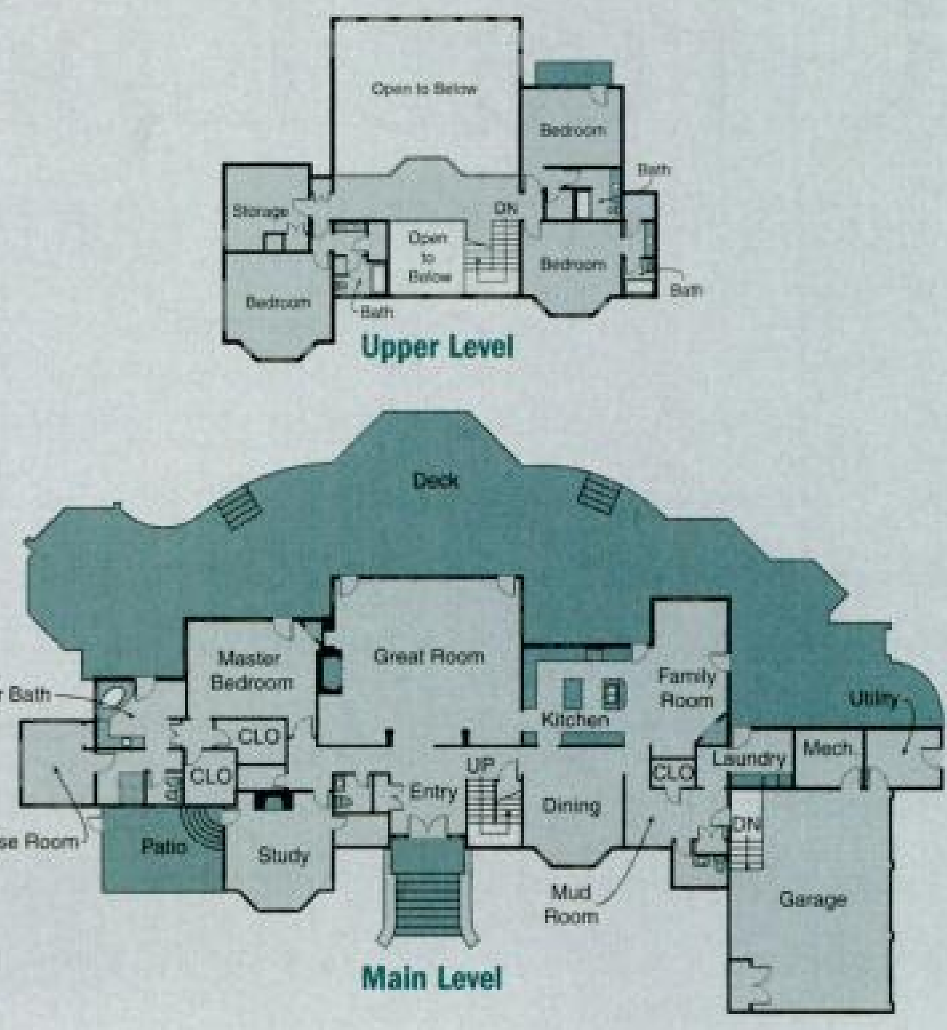
Seasonal Serenade

Each season brings something new outside their windows. They've put in ponds and added perennial flowerbeds, choosing only the flowers that fit naturally in this setting—lupines, Shasta daisies, columbine and bee balm. Moose trudge by, of course, as well as elk, mule deer and whitetails. Trumpeter swans winter here, taking advantage of the trout stream's open water. And recently, a new discovery: There's an ermine living on the property.

Just as it did the first time Ken and Caroline walked the land, their retreat continues to surprise and enchant them. ■

Home Details

Square footage: 5,856
Package price: $160,000
Architect: Ellis Nunn, P.O. Box 7778, 70 North Center St., Jackson WY 83002; 307-733-1779; www.ellisnunn architects.com
Chairs in great room: Pearson Co., 1420 Progress Ave., High Point NC 27260; 336-882-8135; www.pearson company.com
End tables: Sacred Mountain Drums, P.O. Box 9398, Jackson WY 83002; 307-739-9847; www.sacredmountain drums.com
Front door and built-in shelves in great room: Falls Cabinets & Millwork, P.O. Box 1483, Idaho Falls ID 83403; 208-523-9332; www.fallscabinet.com
General contractor: Staley Construction, Box 567, Jackson WY 83001; 307-733-0776
Green hutch: Dean Bradshaw Design, Inc., 252 W. 2950 S., Salt Lake City UT 84115; 801-484-4707
Hand-split cedar shakes: Intermountain Roofing, P.O. Box 9239, 1410 S. Gregory Lane, Jackson WY 83002; 307-753-7663
Hanging lights in great room and chandelier in dining area: Fighting Bear Antiques, P.O. Box 3790, 375 S. Cache, Jackson WY 83001; 307-733-2669
Interior decorator: Gallinger Trauner Designs Inc., 3490 Clubhouse Drive Suite 101, Wilson WY 83014; 307-733-0902; www.gallingertrauner.com
Kitchen stools: Bergmeyer Mfg. Co., 229 N. Hwy 33, Driggs ID 83422; 800-348-3356; www.bergmeyermfg.com
Kitchen tile: Teton Tile and Design, 455 W. Broadway, Jackson WY 83001; 307-733-0003
Landscape designer: Wirth Design, P.O. Box 6464, Jackson WY 83001; 307-739-3082; www.wtp.net/wirth
Leather sofas in great room: Leathercraft Furniture, P.O. Box 639, Conover NC 28613; 800-951-3507; www.leather craftfurniture.com
Log producer: Custom Log Homes, P.O. Box 218, Stevensville MT 59870; 406-777-5202; www.customlog.com
Masonry: Sal's Masonry, 523 Fox Creek Road, Victor ID 83455; 208-787-2049
Pool table: Drawknife Billiards, 516 N. Highway 33, Tetonia ID 83452; 800-320-0527; www.drawknife.com
Red leather stools, twig table and chairs in den: Old Hickory Furniture Co., 403 S. Noble St., Shelbyville IN 46176; 800-232-2275; www.oldhickory.com
Stain application: Martell/Murphy Painting, Box 161, Teton Village WY 83025; 307-733-6276; www.martellmurphy.com
Windows and patio doors: Weather Shield Windows & Doors, P.O. Box 309, Medford WI 54451; 800-477-6808; www.weather shield.com





OPPOSITE: Groupings of art make an effective presentation and a change from one large piece. The key is to have a unifying theme. With its images of geysers and its matching frames, this group works as one unit. BELOW: Lighting can make the difference between a nice room and a breathtaking one. Here, a large antler chandelier, proportionate to the room, fills the ceiling area with light. Smaller lights—over the painting, on the tables, and in a grouping of high candlesticks—add a warm glow to specific areas.



LEFT: Dark furniture and wide beams could have overwhelmed this small room, but the crisp white of the painted areas—plus the linens and chair covers—keep the room fresh and light. The window treatment is minimal; just a simple white shade. BELOW: The colors best suited to log interiors come from nature. Leaf green, daisy yellow and berry red bring out wood's beauty. If you favor pink or lavender, take care; they're likely to clash with the orange tinge of most log stains.

Q *My furniture seems very small in the big spaces in my new home. How do I decorate rooms with high walls and ceilings?*

A Though some people love oversized furniture in log homes, don't feel you have to replace your pieces with bigger ones. Use what you have, and put lights, plants and other large accessories on top of cabinets and entertainment centers. Items such as large vases will pull the eye up and make the furniture seem taller, advises Stephanie Gautier, Wisconsin Log Home's interior designer. On the windows, tall, long curtain panels create the same vertical effect. They don't need to cover your windows or block your view; they can simply frame the windows. A grouping of vertical photos or other artwork also draws the eye upward, and tall plants—whether real or of silk—add height to a room without adding bulk.

Q *My home has no foyer. How can I create one without closing in the space with full walls?*

A Open floorplans can be wonderful, but sometimes it's desirable to create a little privacy from strangers who appear at the door, or simply to block cold air that wafts in. Kim Clark, who manages Beaver Mountain Log & Cedar Homes' design center, has this suggestion: Try a beautiful screen to make your entryway more intimate, supplemented by a small table, an unusual coat rack and an entry rug. Suddenly, you've created a room that can easily be dismantled if you want the space open for entertaining.

Q *Professionally decorated homes seem to flow naturally from room to room. Without totally redecorating, how can I integrate my spaces?*

A Decorators usually choose a palette of a few colors and use those colors in different ways throughout the house. Try to find one accent color that works in most of your rooms. Then use pillows, bed coverings, slipcovers, artwork and other accents in that color to achieve a unified look. Here's another idea: If you have a collection of large items, such as Quetzal lamps, put some in every room.



UPPER LEFT: PHOTO BY BRAD SIMMONS; LEFT: ALPINE LOG HOMES PHOTO BY WALTER SMALLING

That common thread will give a coordinated feel to your home.

Q *I have a few dark corners in my log home. How can I brighten those areas?*

A A wonderful way to keep a corner from receding is to fill it with a big, leafy plant. Don't skimp on the quality. Place a small light on the floor in front of the plant. Light will project upward, creating dramatic leaf-shaped shadows on the walls. With one stroke, you've added light, texture and color to a dark, forgotten space.

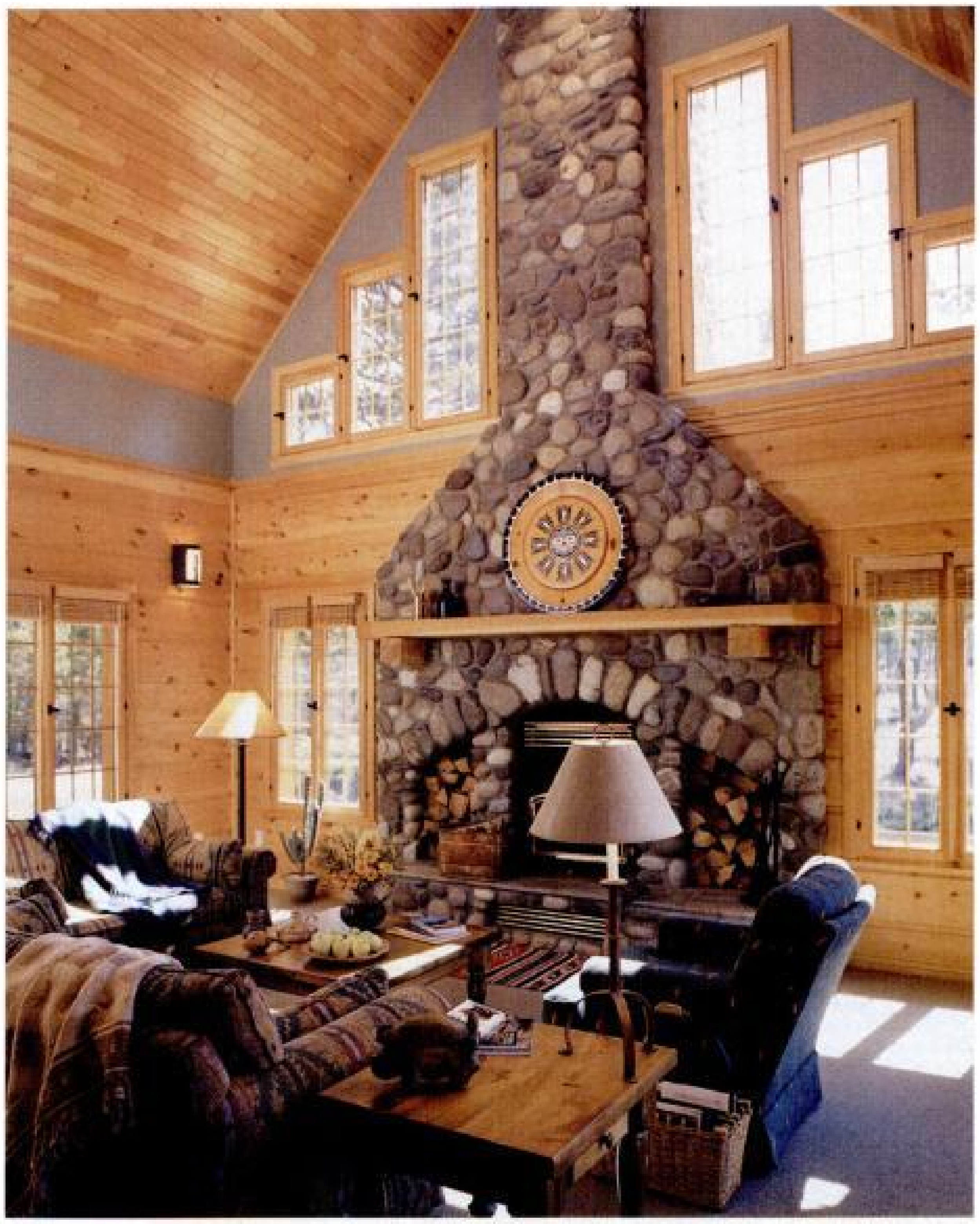
Q *Because I have log walls, wood cabinets and wood floors of the same shade, there's a blandness to my kitchen. Is there a way to add some spark?*

A What you need is contrast. No matter how beautiful your wood is, it will be enriched by complementary colors and materials. Add a colorful rug, wall hangings, chair cushions and stained glass light fixtures. Also use some small, colorful appliances or other objects to brighten countertops.

Here's another tip: If you have a color in your countertop or in your kitchen accessories, pick cabinet hardware of the same color. If you have stainless steel appliances, for instance, add pewter or nickel fixtures and hardware to give your kitchen a coordinated look.

Q *I have a large collection of figurines. Can you suggest an effective way to arrange them?*

A Collections of items can be overwhelming if not displayed properly. Success depends on achieving the right scale, explains Karan Anton, ASID, of Anton Interiors. Tiny objects will get lost in large spaces. If you want to display small items in a large room, house them in a piece of furniture with small shelves that fit their size. If the shelves are too large, place small stands on the shelves first. That way, you're visually shrinking the space to appropriate proportions. To avoid a linear, regimented appearance, group your figurines together in uneven numbers and put them on stands of uneven heights. If your collection is extensive, it may overwhelm one room or seem too cluttered. To avoid this, separate out a portion of your pieces and assemble a grouping in another room.



Scale is an important element in decorating. This broad stone hearth calls for something of oversized proportions, and the artwork on the mantel fits the bill.

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Q *I'm not sure what size rug to choose. Can you help?*

A People have a tendency to choose area rugs that are too small, says Stephanie Gautier. If a rug is too little, it appears to shrink the room. This may be desirable in a vast area where you want to create furniture groupings. In that case, you can use a rug to help define the space. But for a room of, say 10 by 12 feet, a good rule of thumb is to pick a rug that leaves about 2 feet of flooring visible around the room's perimeter.

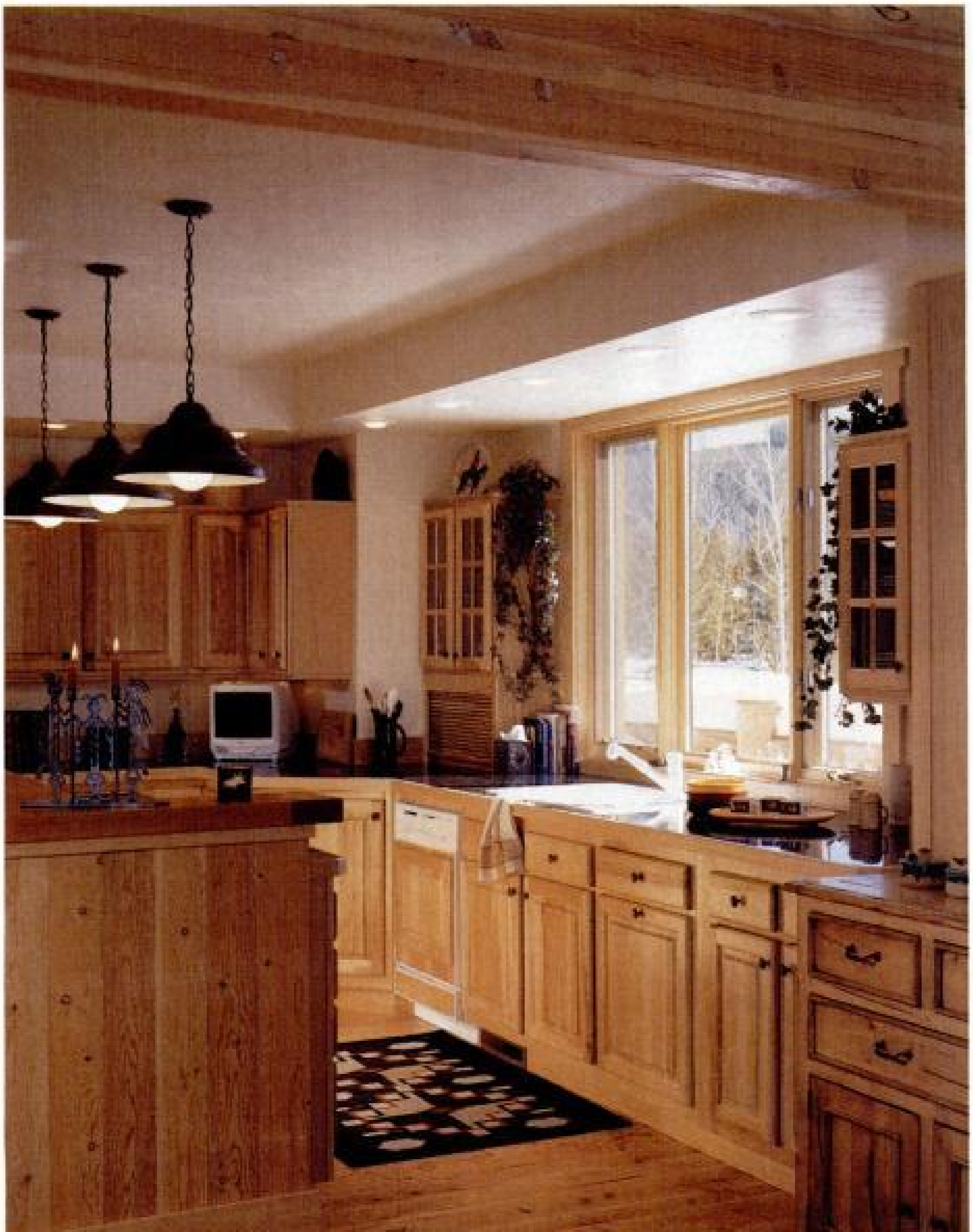
Q *How can I be sure that the light fixtures I choose will be the right size?*

A Choosing furnishings of the proper scale can be tricky. Usually, people don't go large enough, especially with light fixtures. If you're not sure what size

to use, create a couple mock fixtures from poster board. Tape the cut-outs to your walls or to a room of similar size. The idea is to test the scale of the fixtures you think will fit. The mock lights will give you a sense of how large the fixtures need to be. Don't forget accent lights. Places like stairways, halls and landings are ideal for wall sconces.

Q *I'm concerned that my log home may appear too dark inside. How can I keep the rooms bright and still have the log look I love?*

A One answer is lighting. As soon as you've chosen a floorplan, start thinking of how to bring light into your home, advises Jay Enderson, a regional director with Expedition Log Homes. This is especially important if you've decided on a full-log system, he says, because the wiring must be done early in the building process. It's a good idea to make a plan, room by room, for your lighting so it doesn't become an afterthought. You may even want to hire a lighting designer. Here are some points to consider: To get light up into high ceiling areas, think about track and recessed lighting. Use skylights or other types of windows to bring in natural light, and give special thought to rooms that won't get direct sunlight or those without many windows. Your furnishings will also affect the overall look of a room. Bright, lively colors can do wonders to lighten any space.



A unified look is the hallmark of good design. In this kitchen, dark lighting fixtures, countertop, area rugs and cabinet hardware all work together. Nearly every accessory—down to the small books and bowls—enhances the look without cluttering the clean, simple design.

PHOTO BY ROGER WADE

Q *I can't afford to buy all new furniture for my log home. What can I do to create a new look?*

A Don't despair. You can do a lot with your existing furniture and accessories. Pick a primary decorating idea or theme, and work from there. Beginning with the large pieces, think about what can be changed to fit your theme, advises Joetta Moulden, a stylist and decorator with www.ShelterStyle.com. Will slipcovers do the trick for the sofa or the dining room chairs? Can you put a colorful mat on a dark wooden piece to change its look? Can you re-use artwork by painting the frames or having it re-framed? Joetta says one of her favorite decorating tools is spray paint. She once bought an assortment of picture frames at a clearance sale and painted them all the same color for a dramatic new look.

Color will go a long way toward updating your decor. Choose a palette you like, and then assess what pieces you can paint, drape with fabric, move to another room or otherwise change to fit your new theme.

Q *I never know what to hang on the walls. Can you give me a few suggestions?*

A Approach your wall decor with an open mind. Your art doesn't have to be a framed print. Tapestry, quilts or other fabrics work beautifully on log walls and on the uneven surface of stone. If you have a favorite area rug that won't fit in your floor space, hang it on the wall. Antique tools or sporting equipment make ideal wall decorations.

Groupings of art can make a very effective presentation. Create a theme, such

as photos of trees, or to take a different tack, use a series of three paintings in matching black frames with off-white matting on a richly colored wall. What's important is a common thread—either in the subject of the art of the style or color of the frames.

Q *My lights seems too bright. Can I achieve a warmer look?*

A Halogen lights shed a white light that some find too harsh. Instead, use incandescent lights. You can buy bulbs that are almost amber, giving an appearance as soft as candlelight. To enhance the effect, choose shades that project yellows and golds.

Q *How can I judge whether my decorating so far is successful?*

A There are three ways you can test your decorating instincts. One is to hire an interior designer, which is more affordable than you might think. Another is to have a friend whose tastes you admire come for an inspection. After you've pondered endlessly over paint and fabric swatches, you need the benefit of a fresh eye. You want someone who will look objectively at how pieces fit in each room and who will judge based on the items' merits, not the fact that they belonged to your great aunt. Lastly, suggests Joetta, take photos of your work. Often a photo will reveal what you don't see in person.

Q *It's hard to choose paint colors from a little square of paint. How can I be sure to choose the right color?*

A Because the color will look stronger and darker once it covers an entire room, pick the color you think you want and go one shade lighter. And if you live in Florida but are building your log home in Colorado, don't choose your paint any place except in your new locale. Subtle differences in the light make a big difference in how a painted wall looks.



In large, open rooms, use area rugs to define space. In this home, the rugs do their job well, creating rooms within a room without the confinement of walls.

Q *I have a lot of accessories, how should I arrange them?*

A In large rooms, use pieces with some height and mass, and vary the heights. Hint: Don't use too many small pieces. A few larger ones are more effective. Beware of the common tendency to over-accessorize. In a piece of music, the silence in between the sound is as important to the overall effect as the notes. The same principle applies to home decorating. Allowing some relief from accessories will make the ones you use more prominent and effective and avoid a cluttered look.

Q *My rooms are small. How can I make them seem more spacious?*

A Using light colors on the walls and in your furnishings is wise, but you can do more, says Karan Anton. In rooms with drywall, paint the walls and trim the same color and choose window treatments in the same shade. This will let the eye flow uninterrupted across the room, giving the illusion of more space. Conversely, many different colors on the walls will chop up a room visually, making it seem tinier than it is.

Q *I love the bold, colorful rooms I see in magazine photos, but I'm reluctant to use such colors myself. I'm afraid I'll make the wrong choice. Do you have any advice?*

A You're not alone. Most people fall back on the safety of neutrals because they aren't sure how to use color. Start with a small room. Without investing in any new furnishings, paint the room a color you love that seems to suit your home's style. Give yourself time to get used to the new look. If you like it, continue decorating. If not, all you've lost is your time and the cost of the paint. What's wonderful about paint is that it's not permanent. You can always cover it. But you may find yourself pleasantly surprised by the result. ■

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 By Charles Bevier



With the joy of log home ownership comes the satisfaction of living in a beautiful house surrounded by wood. But to maintain this beauty, you need to take care of the things that make your home so unique in the first place—the logs. This may seem like a daunting task if your previous home experience is with lower maintenance brick or vinyl-sided houses. But in reality, it's no more work to maintain a log home than a conventional house. It's merely the techniques, the products and, most importantly, the focus that differ.

With a log home, your main focus is on protecting the wood from a host of blights. As soon as a tree is harvested, Mother Nature's goal is to break it down into mulch. Patient forces, including water, sun, fungi, mold, mildew and insects, begin to attack the logs. Throw in seasonal temperature swings, which cause wood to swell and shrink and break down the fibers, and you're left with a multitude of potential problems.

Log Home Defense

How to combat the effects of Mother Nature

Fortunately, manufacturers have created a galaxy of protective products that could rival the selection of vitamins in a health food store. Designed to shield your new home, these treatments come in liquid, powder or solid form, and they serve different functions. Some seal out moisture, some block the sun and some discourage bugs and fungi.

Protect Your Logs

Treatment to protect your logs can begin before construction starts and should continue for the life of the home. Here are the most common techniques.

1 **Thorough drying.** Because water inside the wood can support a host of harmful organisms, log home producers first reduce the moisture content of the logs. They may air-dry the wood for up to a year or more, heat the logs in huge kilns (this reduces moisture and kills insect larvae, too) or use a combination of air- and kiln-drying.

2 **Borate treatment.** Some home producers also protect logs from insects and fungi by dipping them in tanks filled with a borate-based solution or infusing them with a borate preservative through pressure treating. (Your builder also can apply borate solutions with a brush or a sprayer if your producer doesn't offer it, but keep in mind that borate-based solutions must

ORIGINAL LOG HOMES/BLACK BEAR ENTERPRISES PHOTO

be applied before staining so the borate can enter the wood.)

3 **Cleaning.** Once the logs are assembled at your home site, they should be treated with a cleaning solution to remove mill glaze, road grime, and mud and dirt accumulated during construction. Each of these substances can prevent preservatives and finishes from adhering to the wood.

4 **Wood preservatives.** The next treatment will likely be a wood preservative. The most important role of a preservative is to repel your logs' primary enemy: water. Water promotes mold and mildew and attracts fungi and insects—all of which can break down the wood. Normally, it's good to apply a preservative to your logs every three to five years. But the maintenance schedule varies, depending on such things as the climate in which you build and the specific preservative you select.

Keep in mind that the water repellents commonly used on decks or fences may not work well on logs. These repellents, called closed-film coatings, form a hard, brittle, high-gloss finish that can crack as logs expand and contract with temperature variations and moisture loss. Once the finish cracks, fungi and moisture can enter and attack the wood.

A better preservative for log homes is a microporous-film coating. This sticks to the edges of the wood's open pores, reducing their size. Rain or dewdrops are unable to enter the smaller pores yet moisture vapor still can escape from inside the log.

A third option—an open-pore, non-film coating—is made with oils or wax that contains color pigments. This type of treatment soaks into the wood fibers and repels moisture. But since it doesn't create a protective film, it may not work well in certain climates.

SEVEN DESIGN SAFEGUARDS

While there are a host of products available to shield your home from the elements once it has been built, you can take preventive measures earlier—at the design stage—that will significantly protect your logs from moisture and sun damage. Here are some guidelines.



LINCOLN LOGS, THE ORIGINAL PHOTO

1 Design your home so the roof has wide overhangs (at least 2 feet wide for single-story homes, and 4 feet wide for two-story homes). Wide overhangs shield more of the surface from the sun and rain.

2 If possible, include a porch on the side of your home that will get the worst of the weather. A wide porch further screens the logs from sun and rain damage.

3 Plan the foundation so the logs and other wood materials will be at least 18 inches above ground—well above where rain and snow may accumulate.

4 Don't plant trees within 20 feet of the home. If you do, the roots may grow under the foundation, creating a path for water, which can destabilize the foundation.

5 Don't plant shrubs within 24 inches of the home and don't use wood mulch, pine straw or other ground covers close to the foundation. They can attract insects. Instead, use rock or other inorganic materials to cover the ground.

6 Make sure the ground around the foundation slopes away from the home for at least 10 feet.

7 Install gutters and splashguards that direct water away from the home, so water can't pool by the foundation.

ONGOING BATTLE

Repeated exposure to moisture will, over time, roughen the surface of exterior log walls and leave small cavities that will provide the entry point for fungi and mold.

Fungi are one of the chief contributors to rotting wood. Fungi can discolor the wood and open it up to other organisms, or it can actually eat the wood and weaken its structural strength.

This natural process can manifest itself in a number of ways, including brown rot and white rot. Brown rot makes the wood darker than normal; causing cracks against the grain and may eventually shrink or collapse the wood. White rot drains the wood of its color as the fungus feeds on the cellulose and lignin, the building blocks that give the wood its structural strength.

Fortunately, fungi attack wood only when certain conditions are present, including moisture, food (the wood fibers) and temperature. Since you can't control temperature, you have to control the fungi's access to moisture and food.

Decay-causing fungi occur in wood with a moisture content in excess of 30 percent. You can keep down the moisture content of your logs by applying a good wood preservative. This will repel water from the surface. You can also apply a fungicide, which many log home producers do even before shipping the logs to your building site. Keep in mind, though, that fungicides must typically be applied annually to be effective.

If rot does appear in your logs, all is not lost. You can employ one of the many water-diffusible borate treatments that are on the market. Borate is an EPA-approved, low-cost way to stop rot and decay from growing inside of the log. You typically drill a hole in the log on each side of a problem area and then insert one or more borate sticks and seal them in by caulking the opening. The borate slowly dissolves and diffuses throughout the wood, killing the fungi.

Mold can be a problem in wet climates like the Pacific Northwest or in tropical climates like Florida. This is especially true on the north-facing areas of your home that don't receive direct sunlight. Mold can turn softwoods green, orange or black and can create dark spots on hardwoods. To fight mold, you need to treat it with a cleaner specifically created to remove mold and mildew, or use a mild solution of bleach and water.

Whatever your choice, it's best to use a wood preservative that is formulated specifically for log homes. It can be tempting to choose a less expensive product from your local hardware store. But many of these products are ill-suited to the task. Plus, if you scrimp on the exterior finishes that are protecting your large investment, you'll end up paying for it in the long run. Countless log home owners have learned this lesson the hard way.

5 Biocides. To protect against fungi, mold, mildew and insects, some manufacturers add chemicals called biocides to their preservatives. Although these agents are safe for human and animal life, they kill the organisms that feed on wood.

6 Sunblock. Manufacturers offer sunblocks and pigmented preservatives to mitigate the damaging effects of the sun's ultraviolet rays. Each of these products has trade-offs.

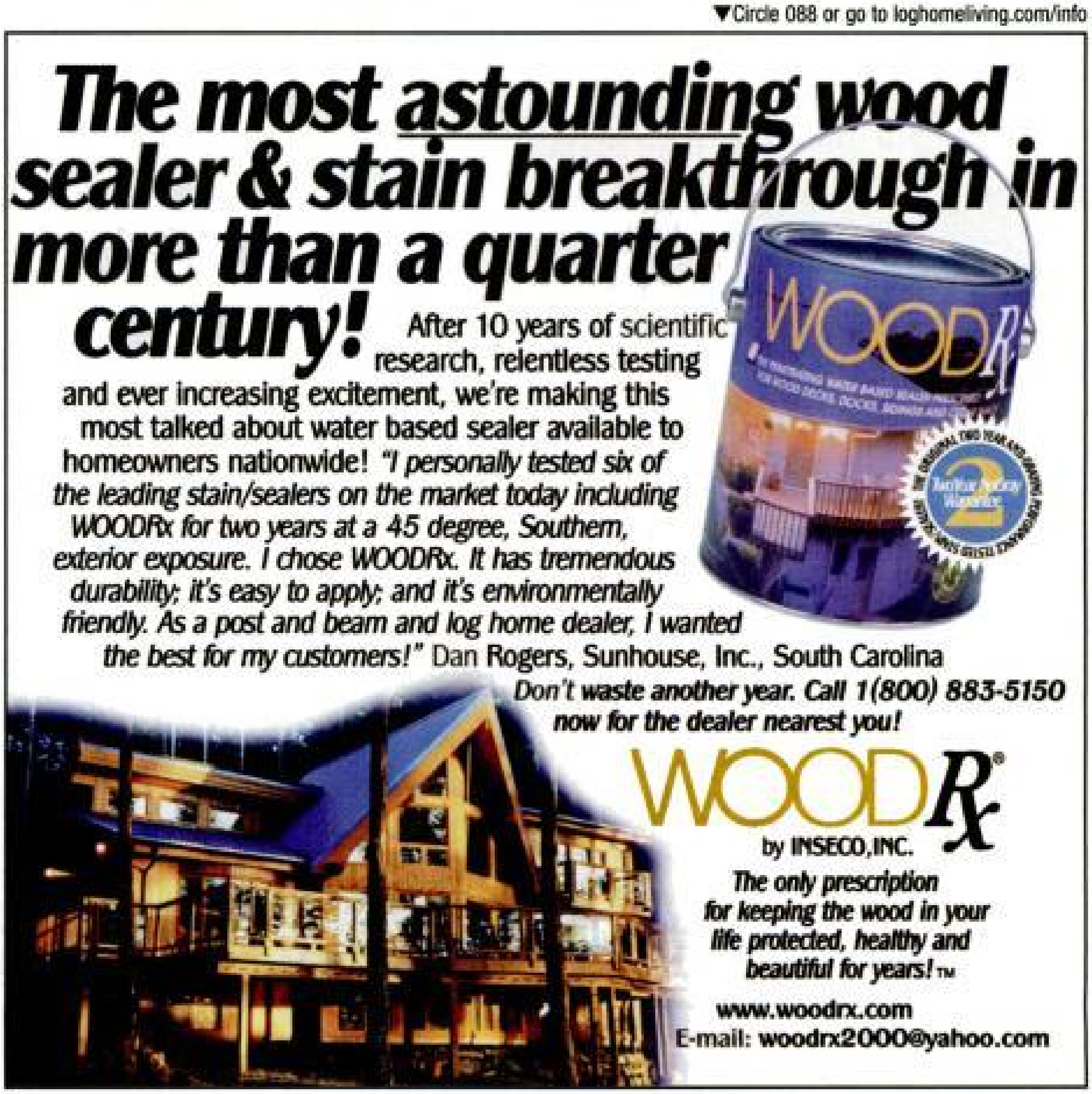
Sunblocks let you see the natural color of the wood, but the ultraviolet-absorbing agents they contain often are short-lived. That means you'll have to re-treat the logs every year or two. Pigmented preservatives last longer and do a better job screening out the sun, but the colored particles in the pigment change the tone of the wood.

If you prefer pigmentation, manufacturers offer a number of tints direct from the factory, as well tints you can custom-mix. (Before applying a tinted preservative to your whole home, it's always wise to test it on an unobtrusive area to see if you like the look.)

7 Finish coatings. Depending on which product line you use, you may have to spread on a final finish coat after applying the wood preservative or stain. This finish coat will reflect ultraviolet rays and add another layer of water repellency.







Choose a Treatment

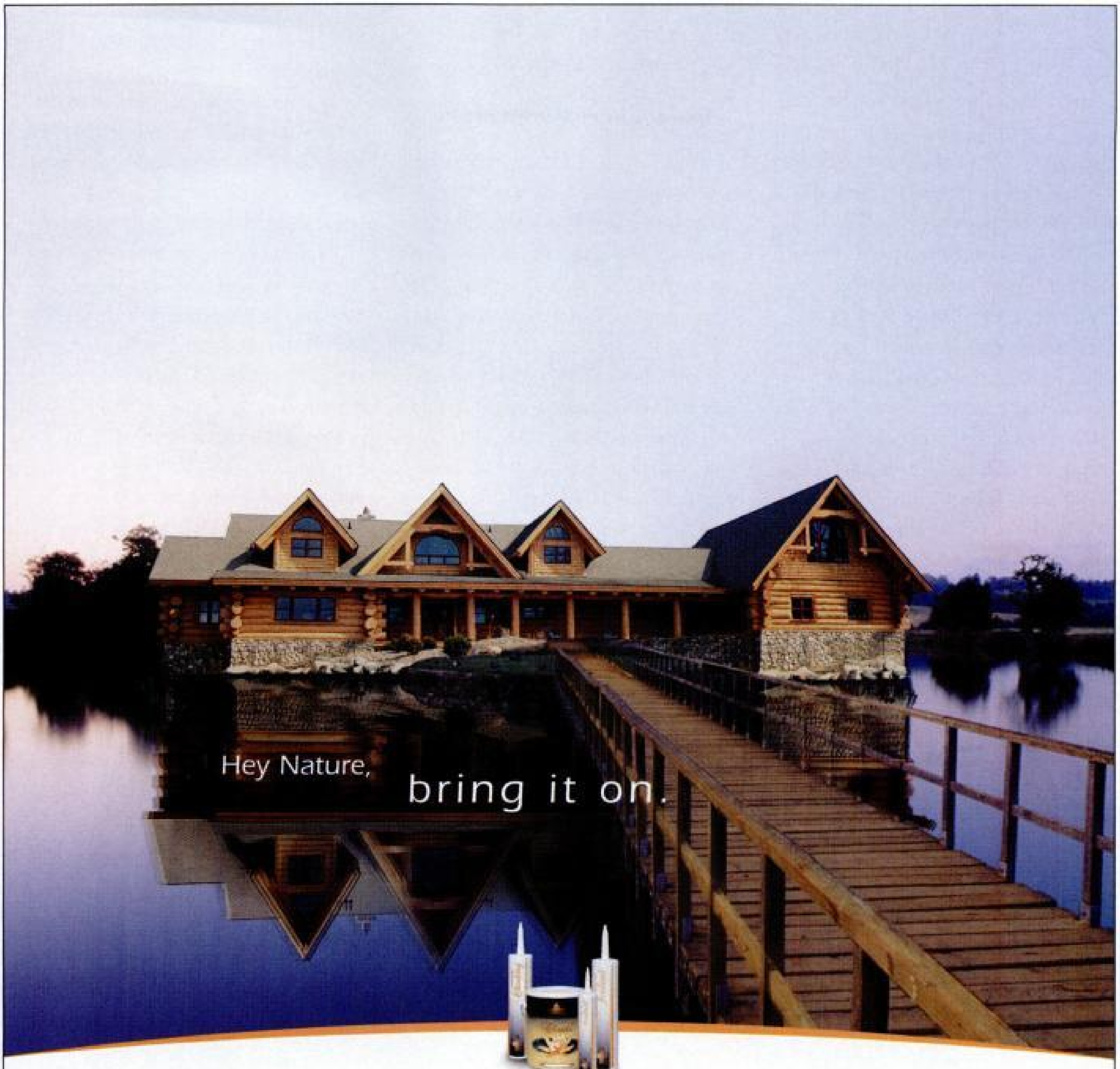
Some manufacturers market one product that offers protection from a multitude of problems; others provide specific products to fight individual problems such as fungi, insects, mold or mildew. Why so many products? Because a number of factors will determine which product is best for your home.

- You need different treatments for different climates.
- Some products work better with one wood species than another. Logs with coarse grain and large, open pores will absorb more solution than wood with finer grain and smaller pores.
- Logs with high moisture content may be less likely to absorb a treatment than drier logs.
- A log home high on a mountainside will need more protection from sun, rain and wind than a home in a thick stand of trees.
- Finally, your personal color preference may affect which treatment you choose, since the pigment in the preservative will change the look of your new home.

How do you sort out which finishing system is right for your logs? Contact the companies listed in our Suppliers Marketplace on page 418. A smart supplier will ask about the location of your home, the wood species, the climate in your area and your color preference, and then recommend a product to fit your needs.

You can also research the different products on the Internet. The producers of many log finishing systems have comprehensive web sites that list their products, where you can find them locally, color charts for determining color tones, as well as the recommended strengths of particular preservatives and suggested maintenance schedules.

Whatever you choose, it's crucial that the products are formulated to work together. Cleaners need to work with preservatives and preservatives with chinking.


Hey Nature,
bring it on.

FIGHT INSECT INVASION

There's an assortment of insects that are attracted to wood and they are all aiming for one of two goals: to eat the wood or to nest in it.

Powder post beetles, old house borers and **flatheaded borers** are some of the more dangerous threats to log homes, followed by more minor pests, such as **carpenter bees** and **carpenter ants**. To handle these pests, you need to apply wood preservatives periodically, inspect your home for telltale signs of the insects, and caulk all checks and cracks where these pests might gain entry.

Termites are even a greater threat to your logs—particularly Formosan termites. Since the mid-1960s, Formosan termites have been seen with increasing regularity in the coastal areas of the United States. Not native to this continent, they are now active in all warm southern coastal areas.

What makes this species so dangerous is its ingenious ability to flourish, often in hostile environments. Ideally it prefers a warm, dark and wet wood environment, especially one with fungi. Like other termites, they are sensitive to dry environments and exposure to open air. However, they overcome these sensitivities by bringing their own water and nest-making materials with them. Worse, their mobile colonies are typically 10 times the size of other termites.

The best way to combat any type of termite is by building your home with logs that have been pressure-treated with borate. The borate must penetrate 2 inches or more beyond the surface and preferably throughout the wood.

Another good way to deter all kinds of termites is to raise the foundation at least 18 inches above grade, so the log walls or other perimeter materials aren't in direct contact with the ground.

If you're planning to build a log home in a coastal area, you also should have your builder apply termite shields around the sill plates or first course of logs. While these metal shields will not stop termites, they do make it easier to see the mud tunnels that the termites build to span the space between the ground and the wood.

If you do encounter termites, don't rely on over-the-counter termite baits to eliminate them. Only the Dow Centricon system has proven to be effective at eliminating stand-alone colonies.

And everything has to be compatible with whatever your log producer may have used on the wood initially. If you switch product lines, the old and new products may not work together chemically. For example, not all oil-based stains are compatible with one another; the same is true of latex-based stains. If after a few years you want to change the type of protection you're using, you may have to strip the previous finish from the logs first.

Inspect to Defend

Next to using a good line of finishing products, the best way to defend against Mother Nature's forces is to inspect your logs regularly. At a minimum, you should check your logs every spring and fall. Carefully study the face and corner sections, keeping a sharp eye out for any discoloration, ultraviolet degradation or evidence of insects. Also watch for situations that can cause potential problems, such as sprinkler heads wetting your logs, leaky gutters, splash back from downspouts, or bushes and trees too close to the home. All of these can create a humid environment and encourage decay or infestation.

You also may want to contract with a good pest control company. A representative will apply liquid soil treatments once a year and, if insects appear, he can install bait systems then return monthly or quarterly to check them.

If you're thorough with your inspections and maintenance, you'll discover problems early and determine why they are occurring so you can correct their root cause instead of just treating their symptoms.

After all is said and done, prevention is the key to hassle-free log home living. ■

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By Jim Kemp

Burning Questions

The 15 most important questions you need to ask before building a log home



GOLDEN EAGLE LOG HOMES PHOTO

In a project as complex, exciting and life-altering as building a brand-new, custom home, a slew of questions is bound to arise. You'll have to ask about financing options, the design process, log species and the major construction steps. Asking the right questions will help you to decide the look of your home, the construction timeline and your budget. And by educating yourself about the entire process, you can keep tabs on your contractors, ensuring that the suggestions they offer meet your needs.

The following 15 questions will get you started on your quest. Other questions specific to your project will come up as it progresses, but use these basic questions as a launching pad as you pursue your log home dream.

Money

1 **How much does a log home cost?** Putting a price on a new log home is not an exact science. The figure can vary greatly, depending not only on the size of the home, but also on the quality of the building materials, finishes and fixtures you choose.

Be aware that when a log producer quotes you a price, it may only cover the cost of the package. There may be additional financial responsibilities. Aside from the cost of the land, other expenses, such as preparing the construction site, laying the foundation, drilling a well and tapping into local utilities, come into play. To get an idea of how much these necessities will cost, talk to local builders and municipal officials instead of asking your log producer.

Do, however, turn to your producer for a ballpark estimate of the entire cost of building any package that interests you. They have years of experience in the field and can help you match the house you want with your budget.

2 **How can I lower my costs?** To get the most for your money, set priorities. Don't skimp on building components that move, such as windows, doors and faucets. When selecting fixtures that are handled daily, invest in the highest quality you can afford.

Also, once construction is underway, try to stick to your original plan. Changes after you begin building can delay the project and increase expenses. Also, carefully research the companies you're considering. Log producers and builders that are efficient with time and materials will save you money.

Design

3 **Who makes log homes?** These companies are collectively known as log home producers. There are more than 400 producers throughout the United States and Canada. The services they provide vary. Some design and build houses, whereas others merely supply the logs necessary for a design rendered by an independent architect or builder. In addition, some companies are nationwide enterprises, working via a network of distributors or "dealers." Others confine their businesses to certain geographic localities.

To find the log producer and/or builder that's right for you, gather recommendations from friends who live in log homes. Research your options by looking at magazines and producers' web sites and brochures. Then tour model houses or recently completed homes so that you can get a first-hand look at each company's level of craftsmanship.

Whittle down your list by checking the companies' reputations. The best resource is other recent customers. Ask them about their experiences with their respective log producers: Did

the company do what it said it would? Was the work completed on schedule? If not, why? Take this information with a grain of salt, however. A log producer is unlikely to give you the name of a dissatisfied customer. Trust your instincts.

Also contact the Better Business Bureau or the attorney general's office in your state to inquire about complaints and legal action brought against the log producers you're considering. The Log Homes Council, made up of log home producers and suppliers, is another resource for names of companies in your area. Also, see the Builder/Dealer Marketplace on page 363 of this issue.

4 **Where do I find a floorplan that's appropriate for me?** Some people have a definite picture of the home they want. Others do not. Wherever you fall on that scale, start by compiling a list of features you must have in your new home. For example, you may prefer an open floorplan that combines the kitchen, living and dining areas into one large "great room." Or you may prefer the traditional route of keeping these rooms separate and distinct. What about a family room in place of a living-dining area? Do you want a bathroom for every bedroom? What about a home office? What do you like about the layout? What don't you like?

Once you've narrowed your focus, supplement these must-haves with the extra amenities you'd like to include if your budget permits, like a media room, a wine cellar or a home gym. Look for stock floorplans that encompass all your desires or that can be modified to fit your needs. Or you can ask your log producer or an architect to draw a custom plan; however, prepare yourself for the added cost of an original design.

5 **What will my house look like?** The design of your home depends on what

BUDGET BASICS

Before you contact a single log home company, you must first determine how much house you can afford. You'll probably turn to your banker or a mortgage lender for assistance. To calculate how much money you can afford to spend, they'll look at your income, expenses and overall financial situation. With your fiscal forecast firmly established, they'll help you determine a building budget.

While money is on your mind, check your credit rating. This rating is invaluable when applying for a home loan. The rating gives a snapshot showing how you have repaid borrowed money in the past and indicates the degree to which you will repay a home loan—all important factors when a mortgage lender is reviewing your application. If you are not sure how to determine your credit rating, ask the officials at your bank.

it will include, as well as your preferences, your budget and the limitations of your building site.

Is your heart set on a two-story home? Are you limited to one story because of building restrictions or health limitations? Does your plot affect the configuration of your house? Questions along this line let you separate your needs and wants and outline what's most important to you so when you contact an architect or log producer, the process of designing the house is already underway. Of course, the standard models some log producers offer may be perfect for you. Or, perhaps a slight tweaking of an existing design will do the trick.

If you don't already own land, look at available sites that appeal to you and your wallet. Narrow the sites down to two or three; then ask your architect or designer to visit them with you. This gives your design team the opportunity to mesh the building site and the design of the house perfectly.

Logs

6 **What type of wood goes into a log home?** There is no single best species of wood for a log home. There are several factors that affect the choice. Aesthetics play a primary role. For instance, pine will have more knots and a more rustic appearance than cedar. Some producers choose a wood species because it will work better with their construction system.

Some species cost more than others, so your selection may be a matter of economics. Still others require less long-term maintenance than other types. Your choice often boils down to the way you want your house to look or the type of wood species your chosen log producer offers or suggests.

7 Does the moisture content of logs matter? There is no consensus on this question. You essentially have the following options: Timbers that have dried naturally before being cut are called standing dead logs. Other trees are cut while still alive and are dried either in a kiln or are left to dry naturally. Many producers build with "green" logs, which have a high moisture content and dry gradually once they've been fashioned into your home. The logs you choose may affect other building materials, as well as the construction method of your home. Ask your log producer to advise you on your particular project.

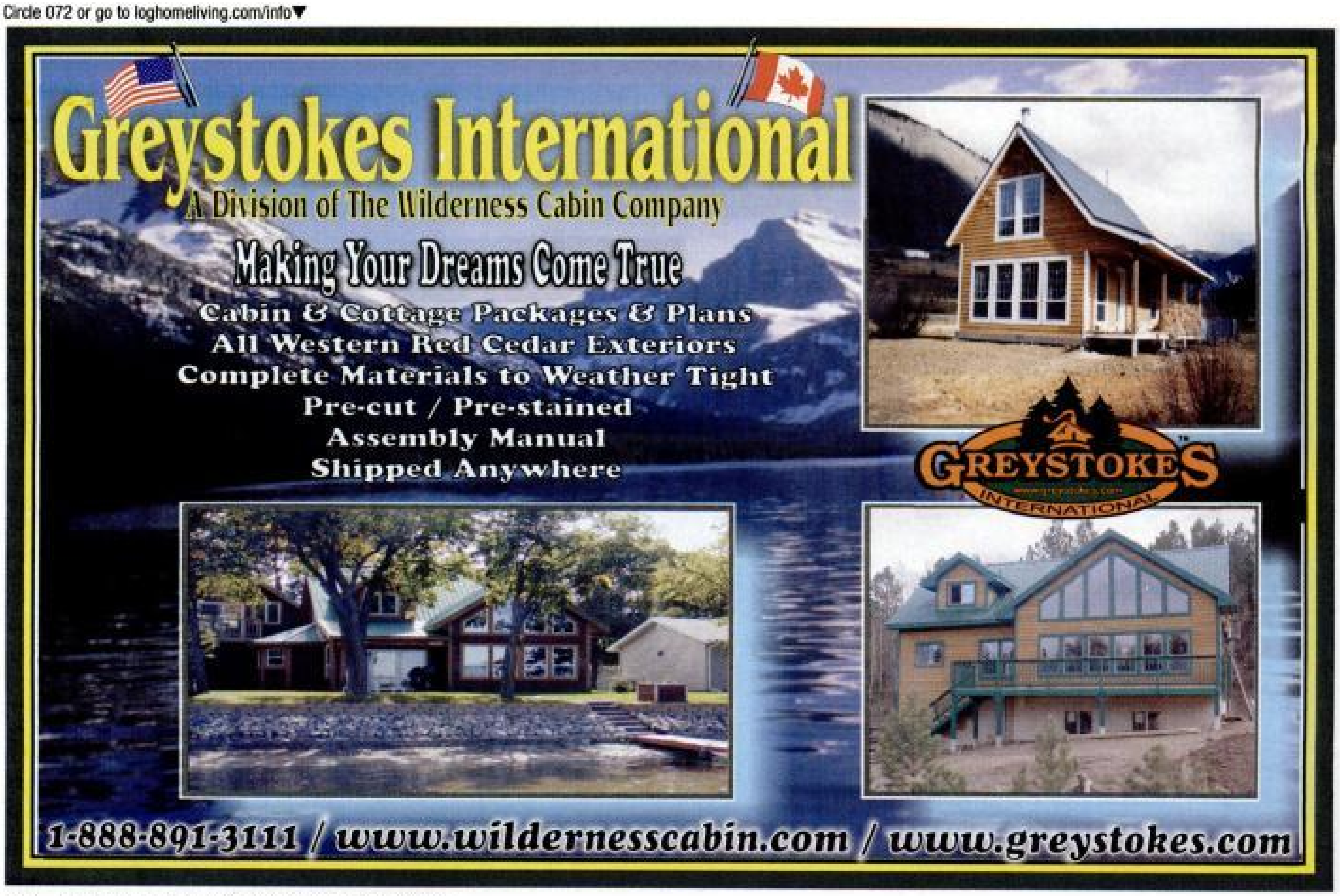
8 Are logs treated with chemicals? If so, what kind? Many log producers apply either short- or long-term preservatives during the processing stage. As a general rule, a short-term preservative is applied to areas subjected to high humidity. It enables the logs to maintain their color during shipping and construction. Even then, the application is done only during warm months.

Other log producers apply long-term or permanent preservatives. Usually these treatments are intended to prevent wood deterioration caused by insects, mold, mildew and fungus. Preservatives sometimes affect the type of stain and caulking you can use on your logs. Ask your producer whether the logs for your home will be treated and how long the protection will last.

9 Do logs come cut to size? A log home package typically comes in one of two ways. The first kind is the "precut" package. Logs are cut at the processing plant and delivered to size so that the frame can be constructed without onsite cutting. They also may include the convenience of pre-drilled holes for electrical wiring.

In the second method, the logs are cut to the correct length and notched at the building site. Within this second category, you have two options: a partially precut package or a random-length package. Partially precut logs require less prep work onsite than the random-length variety.

One method is no better than the other. A prepared package is more expensive but quicker to construct, thus eliminating expensive onsite work. If you are planning to complete some of the work yourself, you may spend less mon-



ey up-front with a random-length package, but you'll invest more time in hands-on work.

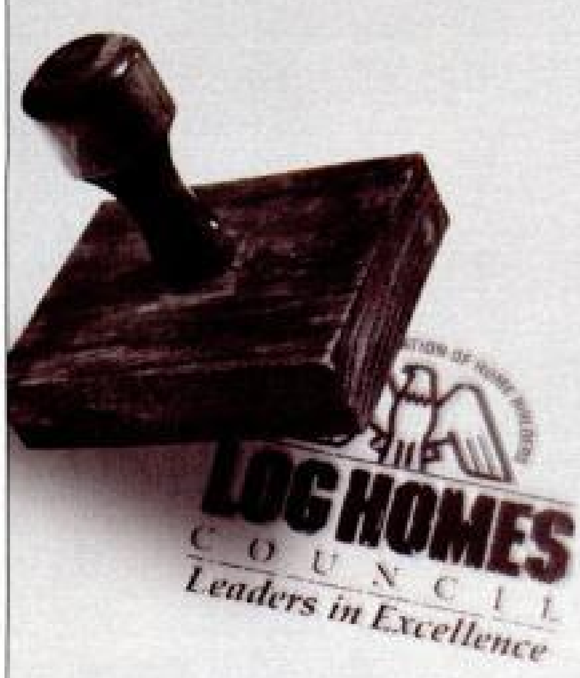
10 What are log profiles? The term "profile" refers to the shape of the logs. Round, square, rectangular and D-shaped logs (round on the outside and flat inside) are the most common profiles. The profile you choose will determine your home's appearance, as will the the logs' height and width, the butt joints (the vertical intersections created where the ends of the logs meet) and the horizontal joints. Ask to see examples of how the logs will look after they are stacked.

Structural differences between profiles usually are not a concern. Producers tend to offer an array of log profiles to increase their product's appeal.

Production

11 What will my log package include? For a complete list of what is included in your package, refer to your "bill of materials." This list is an important part of the contract you sign with the log producer. Review it carefully. It should cite a specific and detailed list of not only the materials, but also the services for which you are paying. Look for items such as, but not limited to:

- Wood species;
- Type of log profile;
- Degree of precutting;
- Moisture content of the logs;
- Preservative treatment;
- Type and number of fasteners;
- Type, amount and quality of sealant;
- Grading certificate for the logs, if applicable;
- Quality, level or grade of all components in the package you select;
- Number of blueprints that are included;
- Cost of delivery and whether it is part of the package price; and
- Cost of each item to compare with the price of local materials.



12 **What are purchase agreements?** This is the contract you sign with the log producer. It should incorporate the price, payment terms and provisions for canceling the deal. The bill of materials is an important component, as it lists the products and services you are purchasing. But the agreement also should include written verification of verbal promises and commitments. Be sure the log production company includes the warranty, and double-check that warranties for any other products are included as well.

13 **How are logs delivered and is delivery included in the price?** Some log producers include delivery in the package price. Others charge for delivery separately, either as a flat fee or a variable fee based on mileage. To track the progress of your delivery, ask whether logs are transported via common carrier or by trucks that the company owns.

Also be sure to ask how far in advance the log producer will notify you of the date and time of delivery. Does the driver unload the package, or are you responsible for having the materials removed? Who supplies and pays for equipment to unload the truck? If the truck is late, who pays for the overtime fees and rental equipment? How much space does the truck require for onsite maneuverability? Get all this information in writing so that there are no surprises on delivery day.

Construction

14 **Who builds log homes?** Buying a log home package and getting it constructed are two separate issues. Some log producers limit their business to making and selling the package, not constructing it. Others not only make and sell the package, but also build it.

Selecting someone to build your home may be a deciding factor in the log producer you choose. For example, if you already have a builder, or plan to build the house yourself, you may want a producer that only supplies the logs. But, if you prefer your builder to be intimately familiar with your log system, you may opt for a producer that doubles as the builder.

When talking to producers, ask about the services they offer. If they don't have a network of builders, will they assist your builder? Some will assemble the components you need. Others will consult with your builder to ensure the work is completed correctly. This is an especially important service for owner-builders to know about up front.

15 **Is one building system better than another?** No one type of construction method is sufficiently superior for you to reject all others. Of the hundreds of log home producers out there, it's doubtful that any use the exact same combination of methods and materials.

Focus more on how the method complies with the building code in your area rather than concentrating on the technical details of log home construction. Also, ask how the logs will settle and whether they are graded using standards for building-quality logs.

Once these questions have been answered to your satisfaction, it's time for some introspection. You likely have received "vibes" or had gut feelings about the people you have talked to. Do you feel comfortable with them? Would you trust them to be in your home when you aren't there? When you are buying a log home package, you are not simply buying giant pieces of wood—you are buying the expertise and the relationships established with the people behind that wood. These are the folks in whose hands you'll put your hopes and dreams, not to mention your money. With careful consideration, the result will be the most beautiful home you've ever lived in and one of the most satisfying relationships you've ever had. ■

A NORTH CAROLINA COUPLE BORROWS IDEAS FROM SEVERAL ERAS TO CREATE A WELCOMING VACATION GETAWAY.



Blending the Centuries

Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue. The adage works as well when building a log home as it does for planning the perfect wedding.

Home owners Mike and Lonnie James blended a turn-of-the-century hammerhead truss, pine planks recycled from long-ago factories and antique-style lighting with new spruce log walls to create an inviting North Carolina home. They borrowed ideas from years of scouring log home magazines and visiting shows and models with friends. Oh, and the blue?

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OPPOSITE: The blue Carolina sky and fall foliage make three levels of outdoor living a must. ABOVE: A cabinet built into the great room's massive stone fireplace is creative storage for the entertainment system.



Why the famous Carolina blue skies, of course. The result: A cozy home with modern necessities, and the atmosphere of a house that's been around for centuries.

Mike and Lonnie decided to build a log home because they were attracted to the look and feel. "For years, I'd go fishing in Canada and always seemed to end up staying in a log cabin or lodge," Mike says. "There was just something about it that drew me like a magnet." Not to mention, another style of house wouldn't feel right on their wooded lot, located more than 3,800 feet up near the top of Mountain Air, a planned community in western North Carolina.

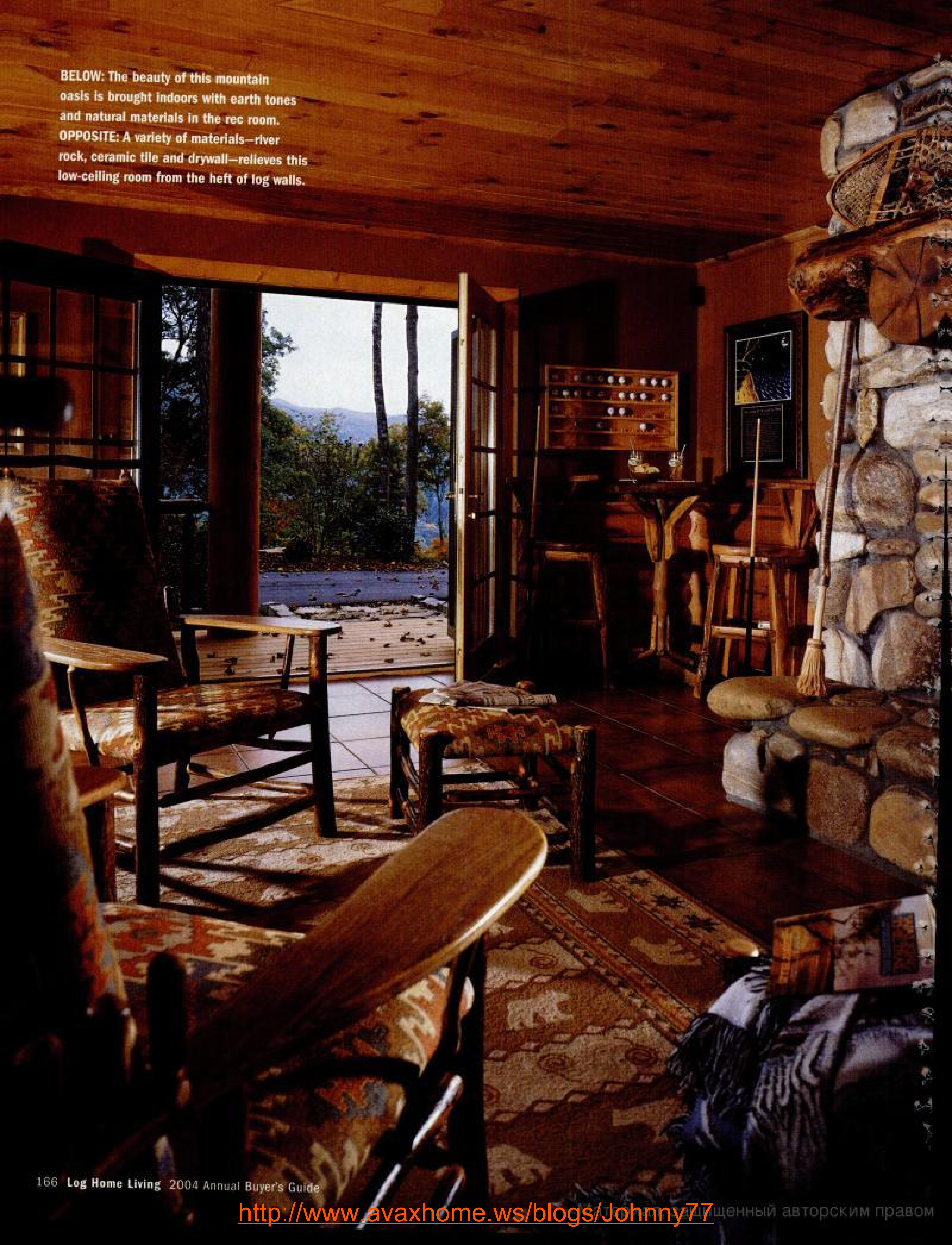
After investigating several log home manufacturers, Mike and Lonnie decided on Neville Log Homes, a Montana-based company known for its focus on using long logs rather then splicing logs together mid-wall.

"Every butt joint leaves a greater chance for movement and gaps occurring once the house is stacked," says Chris Lane, director of advertising and marketing for Neville. "A single course of one log is stronger than a series of shorter logs spliced together and results in a more stable and aesthetically pleasing home."

Neville also uses standing dead timber, which the company says has lower moisture content than green logs and therefore shrinks less. The company mills each log to uniform diameter—usually 7

OPPOSITE: Smart design creates a visually interesting room from top to bottom. Here, eclectic furniture and accessories keep the great room cozy while archways and heavy posts and beams draw the eye to the upper registers of the cathedral ceiling. ABOVE: A salvaged tree stump anchors an extension off the kitchen island for informal dining.





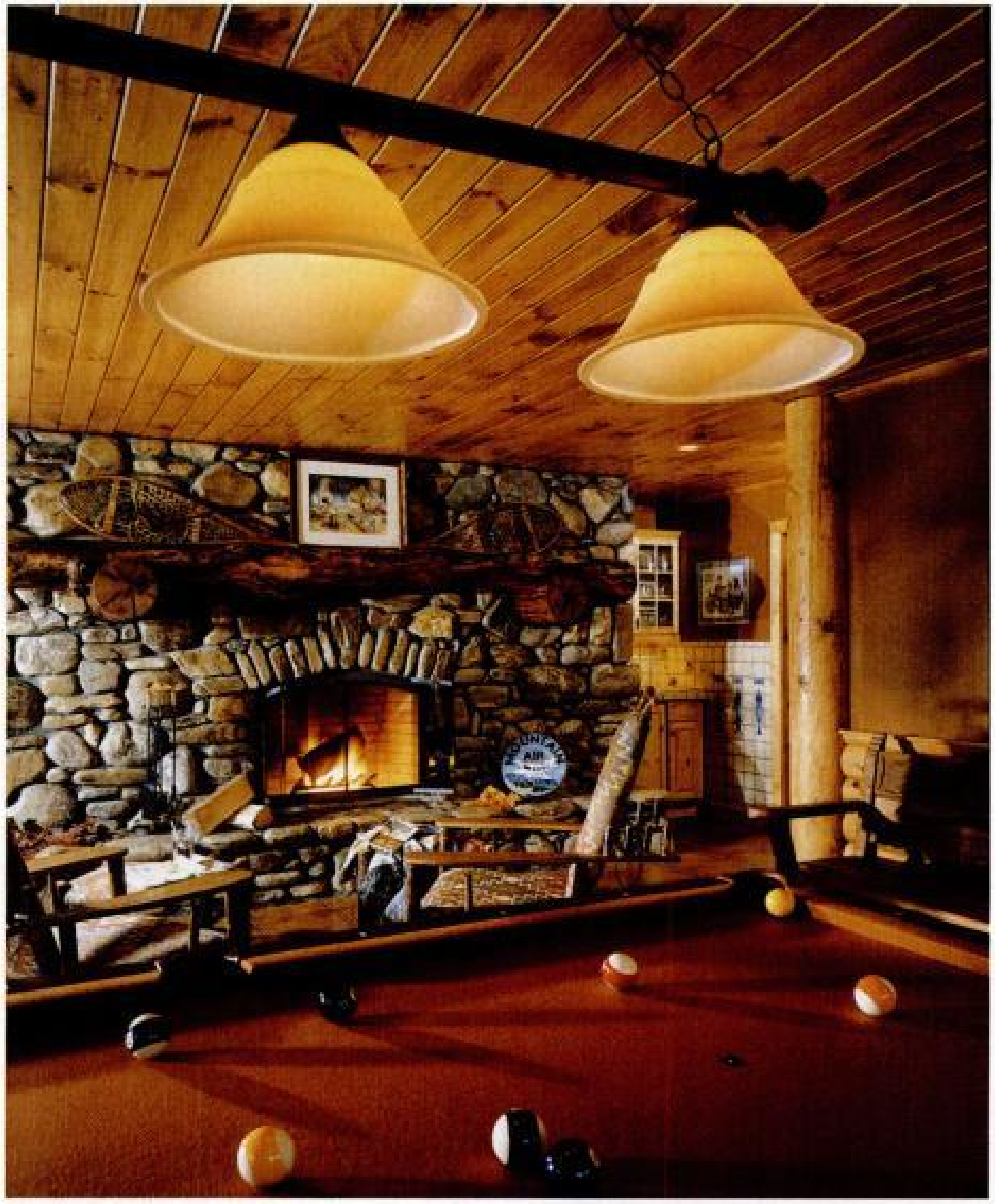
BELOW: The beauty of this mountain oasis is brought indoors with earth tones and natural materials in the rec room. OPPOSITE: A variety of materials—river rock, ceramic tile and drywall—relieves this low-ceiling room from the heft of log walls.

to 15 inches—and up to 60 feet long.

Workers then hand peel the logs with drawknives for a rustic feel. "It's kind of like having the best of both worlds, because you have something that is rustic and looks hand carved, but you still have logs which are uniform, more consistent and easier to stack," Chris says. Nine out of 10 Neville customers request the hand-peeled look, a feature that increases the package price about 4 1/2 percent. As it is, Neville estimates that one of their turn-key homes runs about $150 per square foot, depending on the finishing touches, such as flooring, fireplace construction and countertop choices. Traditional stick built homes run about $90 and up, again depending on finishing choices.

Mike and Lonnie's 5,200-square-foot home was built from Engelmann spruce harvested in British Columbia. Corners are saddle notched and each log has a Swedish cope on the bottom side to help it couple with the log underneath. This encourages a wider connection between the logs and a tighter seal to keep out the elements.

Mountain Air's par-70 golf course is the setting, so Mike and Lonnie not only wanted a view of the course, they wanted golfers on the green to have a great



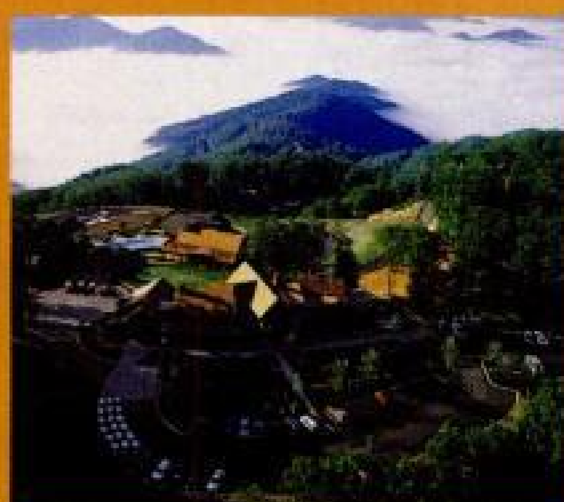
Living the High Life

There's just something about the North Carolina sky. Some say it's bluer than anywhere else. One thing is certain: Build at the top of a Blue Ridge mountain and you're surrounded by so much blue sky and blue mountain hues it feels like you're standing on an ocean island.

At an elevation of 4,919 feet, Mountain Air, North Carolina, is about as close as you can get to this magical blue, which is why Mike and Lonnie James chose to build their home here.

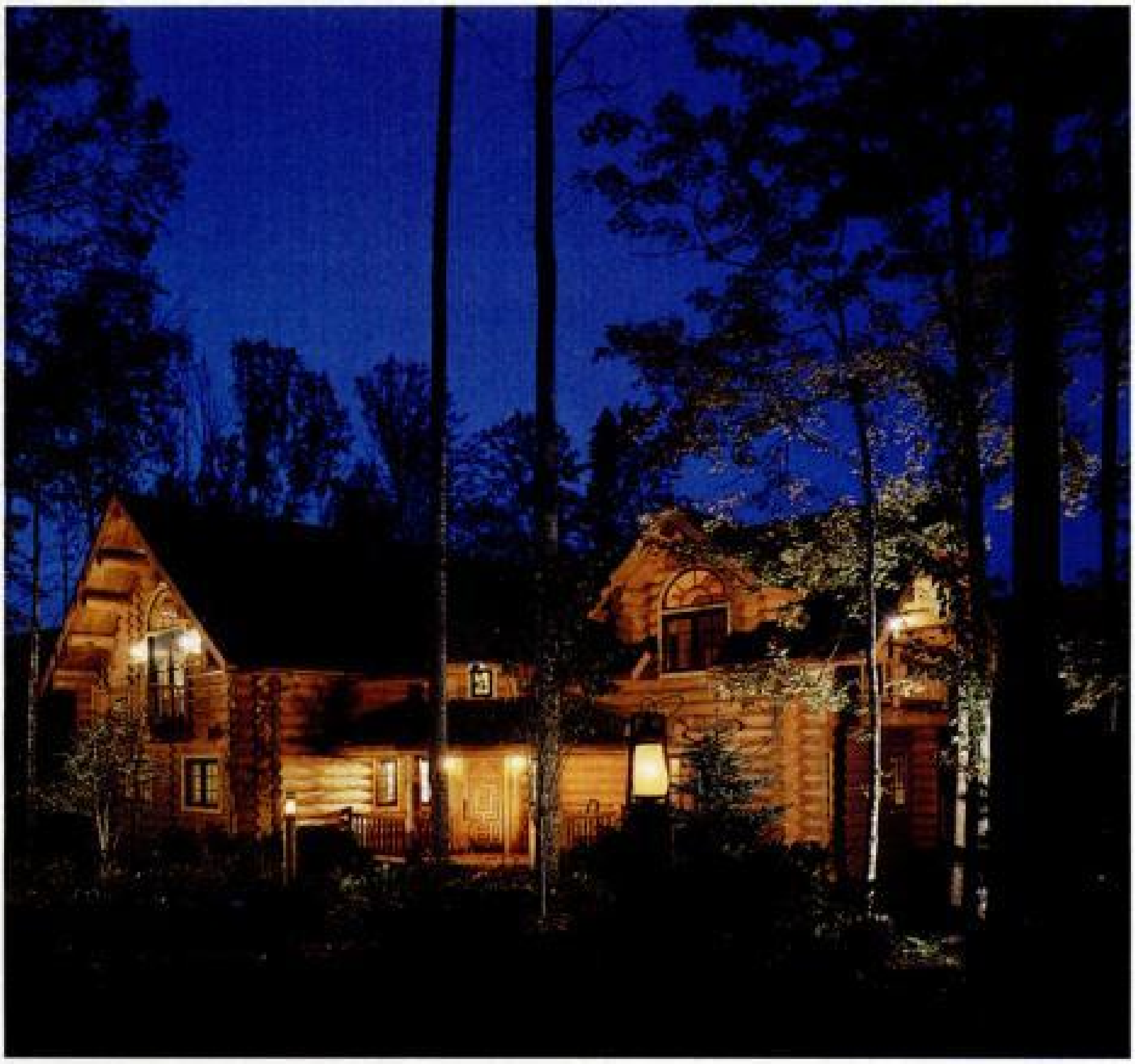
The Western North Carolina mountain community is 35 minutes northeast of Asheville and high up enough that when the valley below is socked in by fog, residents feel like they're jetting out above the clouds.

The 1,000-acre private oasis boasts more than 250 homes (six are log). Vacationing and year-round residents alike enjoy an active lifestyle with a golf course, pool, amphitheater, restaurants and, of course, the breathtaking panoramic views of the Blue Ridge. Access is controlled by a locked gate at the bottom of the mountain and its very own runway for private airplanes.



Even with a hovering fog, the view from Mountain Air is still breathtaking.





ABOVE: A bright quilt infuses color over the otherwise natural tones of the master bedroom. LEFT: The warm glow of logs against the indigo sky paints a picture-perfect setting at dusk on Mountain Air.

view of their home as they played. The couple asked Neville to craft a two-story back deck and porch using full log joists and Alaskan red cedar planking. "Using anything else would have ruined the look of the house," Mike says. "This is the most dramatic view of the house, it's right on the golf course. Anything other than log would have been a real detraction." The home's main deck is 40 feet above the 15th green with a view of the course to the east. "It's a great platform to watch your friends miss their putts," he says with a laugh.

When they're not outside watching the passing golfers, Mike and Lonnie enjoy relaxing in their great room. And it's no wonder. The room's focal point is a 26-foot-tall fireplace made of rock from the

nearby South Toe River. It spans 12 feet at the base and includes a built-in TV cabinet and log storage area. A second river rock fireplace of similar width anchors a downstairs entertainment area.

"We put a sealer on the rock, and it really brought out the grain in each stone. Some have streaks that look like wood," said Richard Killian, a Marshall, North Carolina, builder who oversaw construction of the home. The round, smooth stones are mostly made of granite. Laying river rock can be more difficult than fieldstone or other stones because the river rocks must be used whole while many other stones can be chipped or broken to fit particular spaces.

While building this house, Richard came up with a technique to disguise the casings around recessed lights and on electrical fixtures: paint them with faux wood grains and even knots. And when a floor vent cover spanned two planks with different shades of wood, the artist painted half the grate light and half the grate dark to match.

Building at the top of a mountain high above sea level presented some challenges. "You have more wind and snow and it's colder," Richard says. An 18-inch snowfall that fell just as they started laying the logs delayed construction slightly as workers shoveled the snow away. "But the nice thing about logs is that they don't seem to stain from water, snow and ice," he says.

A second challenge was the home's first inhabitants: A family of robins built a nest underneath the loft during the framing process. "The builders worked around the bird's nest," Mike says. "They waited until the babies flew away before continuing work in that area."

Mike and Lonnie on the other hand, aren't looking to fly the coup anytime soon. They look forward to long weekends away from their permanent home in Missouri and consider retiring at the Mountain Air property. "We can't think of a better place to retire to." ■

Home Details

Package price: $268,900

Square footage: 5,200

Chinking materials and stain: Perma-Chink Systems, 17635 N.E. 67th Court, Redmond WA 98052; 800-548-1231; www.permachink.com

Fiberglass shingles: Elk Corporation, 14643 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1000, Dallas TX 75240; 972-851-0400; www.elkcorp.com

General contractor: Richard Killian Construction, 700 Iris Crest, Marshall NC 28753; 828-775-3039

Kitchen cabinets: Craftmaid Kitchens, 501 South 9th St., Reading PA 19602; 610-376-8686; www.craftmaid.com

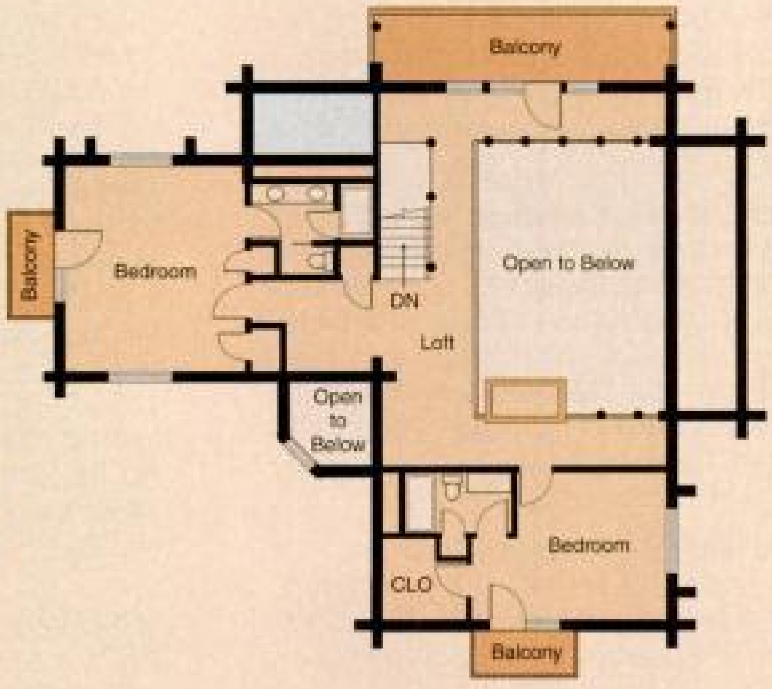
Log producer and designer: Neville Log Homes, 2036 Highway 93 N., Victor MT 59875; 800-635-7911; www.nevilog.com

Masonry: David Thompson Masonry, 1165 Blue Rock Road, Burnsville NC 28714; 828-675-4220

Railings: Ryan's Rustic Railings, 3393 Highway 53, Orr MN 55771; 218-757-3329; www.rusticrailings.com

Window and doors: Crestline, 888 Southview Drive, Mosinee WI 54455; 715-693-7000; www.crestlinewindows.com

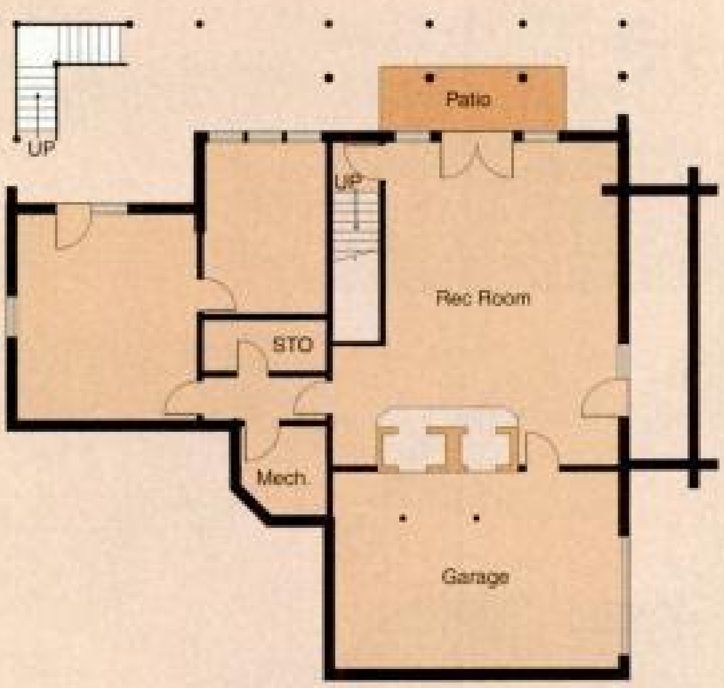
Wood floors: Aged Woods/ Yesteryear Floorworks Company, 2331 East Market St. Suite 6, York PA 17402; 800-233-9307; www.agedwoods.com



Upper Level



Main Level



Lower Level

CALENDAR

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ALABAMA

LOG RAISINGS: Springfield, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 205-854-9922. **OPEN HOUSES: Dayton,** Nov. 8, 15, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 334-627-3539; **Springfield,** Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 205-854-9922. **SEMINARS: Springfield,** Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 205-854-9922.

ALASKA

LOG RAISINGS: Anchorage, Nov. 7-14, Hearthstone Homes, Info: 800-743-2784. **OPEN HOUSES: Fairbanks,** Nov. 23, Real Log Homes, Info: 907-457-3784.

ARKANSAS

OPEN HOUSES: Cedarville, Nov. 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 479-474-2832; **Mena,** Nov. 8, Real Log Homes, Info: 479-394-5525. **SEMINARS: Mena,** Nov. 7, Real Log Homes, Info: 479-394-5525.

CALIFORNIA

LOG RAISINGS: Shingletown, Nov. 8, 9, Real Log Homes, Info: 530-474-3503. **OPEN HOUSES: Auburn,** Nov. 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30 Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 800-554-5647; **Big Bear Lake,** Nov. 8, 22, Real Log Homes, Info: 909-866-7766; **Brentwood,** Nov. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28, Jim Barna Log Systems, Info: 888-290-5257; **Colfax,** Nov. 8, 22, Real Log Homes, Info: 530-346-6433; **Placerville,** Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Lok-N-Logs, Info: 800-660-5647; **Shingletown,** Nov. 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 530-474-3503; **Sonora,** Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Real Log Homes, Info: 209-586-2584; **Twain Harte,** Nov. 1, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 209-586-7725; Nov. 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 800-420-4888; **Yucaipa,** Nov. 14, 15, 16, Real Log Homes, Info: 909-790-0034.

COLORADO

LOG RAISINGS: Montrose, Nov. 12, 13, 20, 21, Real Log Homes, Info: 970-249-5133. **OPEN HOUSES: Chromo,** Nov. 8, Expedition Log Homes, Info: 888-972-4321; **Cotopaxi,** Nov. 25, 29, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 800-313-4721; **Crested Butte,** Nov. 15, Hearthstone Homes, Info: 800-743-2784; **Fairplay,** Nov. 22, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 719-836-0177; **Golden,** Nov. 9, D. Radovich Log Homes, Info: 303-273-5273; **Granby,** Nov. 15, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 970-416-8611; **Livermore,** Nov. 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 970-221-4544; **New Castle,** Nov. 14, 22, Weatherall Company, Info: 800-430-7074; Nov. 15, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 970-984-0909; **Pagosa Springs,** Nov. 8, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 970-731-0990; **Wheat Ridge,** Nov. 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30, Modern Log Homes, Info: 303-278-7825; **Woodland Park,** Nov. 1, 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 719-687-9366; Nov. 8, 22, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 877-889-5647.

CONNECTICUT

OPEN HOUSES: Suffield, Nov. 8, 22, Real Log Homes, Info: 800-956-5647.

DELAWARE

OPEN HOUSES: Newark, Nov. 2, Real Log Homes, Info: 302-366-1311. **SEMINARS: Newark,** Nov. 9, Real Log Homes, Info: 302-366-1311.

FLORIDA

OPEN HOUSES: Brooksville, Nov. 8, 9, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 352-754-9082; **Wimauma,** Nov. 8, Honest Abe Log Homes, Info: 813-633-7297. **SEMINARS: Wellborn,** Nov. 8, Suwannee River Log Homes, Info: 877-999-7754.

GEORGIA

LOG RAISINGS: Cleveland, Nov. 18-25, Hearthstone Homes, Info: 800-743-2784. **OPEN**

HOUSES: **Blairsville,** Nov. 1, 15, 29, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 706-745-9171; Nov. 22, Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 706-379-0606; **Blue Ridge,** Nov. 8, 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 706-258-1131; **Conyers,** Nov. 9, Honest Abe Log Homes, Info: 770-860-8501; **Ellijay,** Nov. 8, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 877-474-5647; Nov. 8, 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 706-276-7350; **Hiawassee,** Nov. 8, 9, 22, 23, B.K. Cypress Log Homes, Info: 877-573-5999. **WORKSHOPS: Blue Ridge,** Nov. 8, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 706-258-1131; **Ellijay,** Nov. 15, Fireside Log Homes, Info: 800-521-5647.

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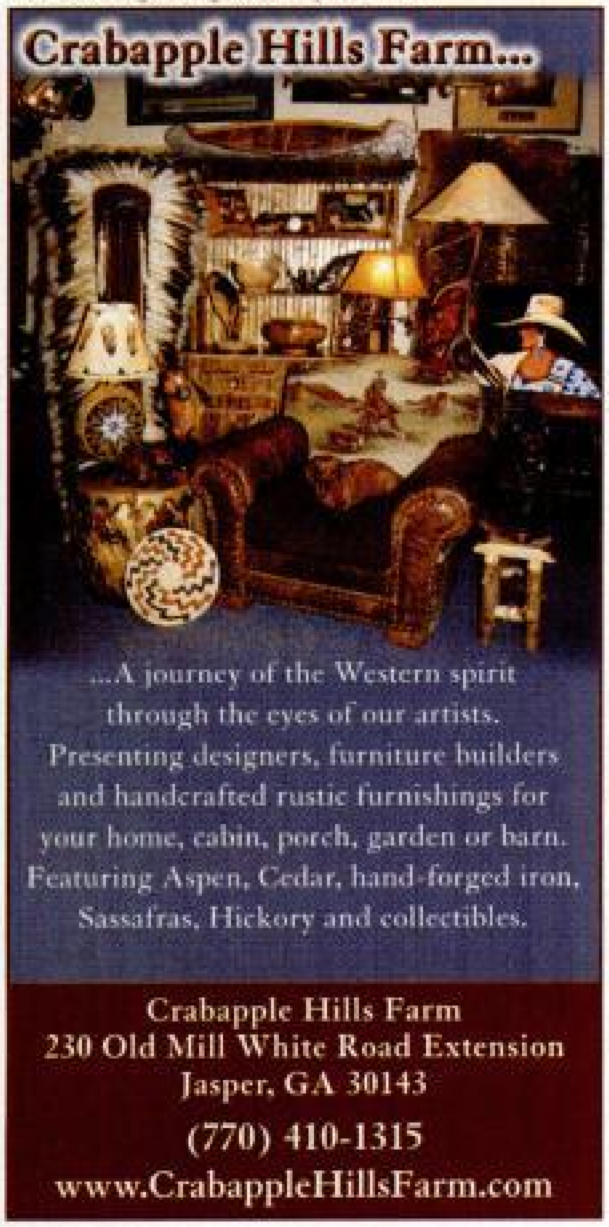
OPEN HOUSES: Coeur d'Alene, Nov. 8, 9, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 208-689-3395; **Hope,** Nov. 8, Real Log Homes, Info: 208-264-0410; **Idaho City,** Nov. 8, 9, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 208-392-4907.

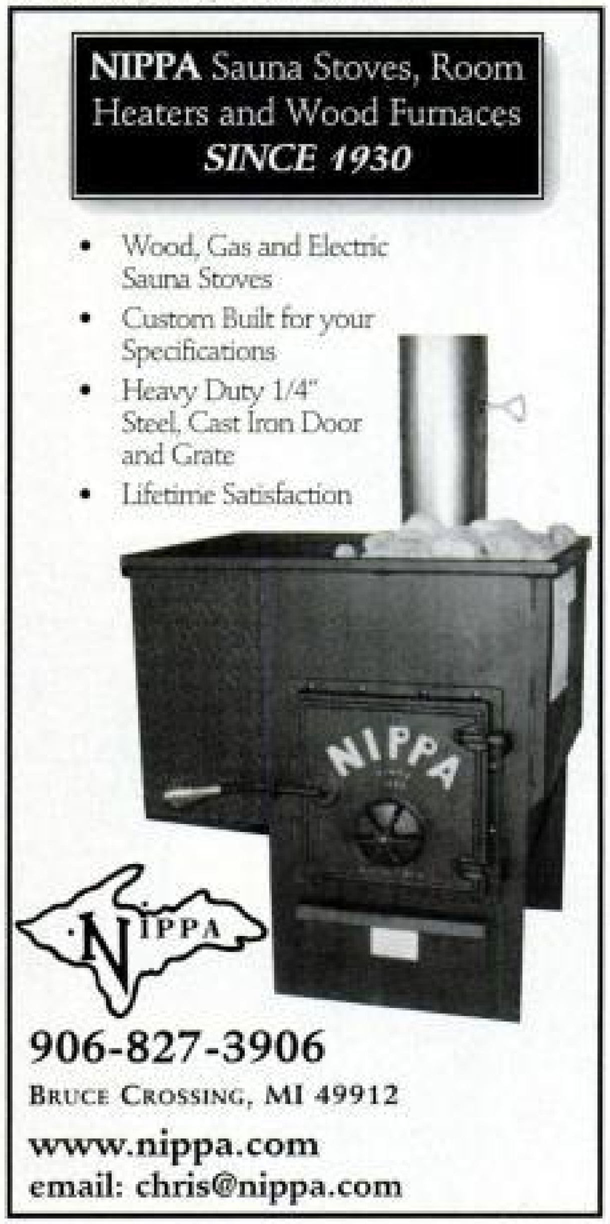
ILLINOIS

OPEN HOUSES: Athens, Nov. 1, Coventry Log Homes, Info: 217-636-8648; **Crete,** Nov. 15, Expedition Log Homes, Info: 800-588-5647; **Dahinda,** Nov. 9, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 309-879-2032; **East Peoria,** Nov. 2, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 309-699-5647; **LaSalle,** Nov. 1, 15, Ward Cedar Log Homes, Info: 815-223-6050; **Millstadt,** Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 618-538-7418; **Mt. Vernon,** Nov. 15, Expedition Log Homes, Info: 618-244-4318; **Prophetstown,** Nov. 8, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 800-941-7479; **Williamsville,** Nov. 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 877-579-8344.

INDIANA

LOG RAISINGS: Albion, Nov. 7, Real Log Homes, Info: 877-716-0732; **Brookville,** Nov. 1, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 800-446-1748; **Dearborn County,** Nov. 1, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 812-744-5711. **OPEN HOUSES: Albion,** Nov. 16, Real Log Homes, Info: 877-716-0732; **Attica,** Nov. 8, Real Log Homes, Info: 877-255-5987; **Borden,** Nov. 1, Honest Abe Log Homes, Info: 812-246-1444; **Corydon,** Nov. 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 800-767-2856; Nov. 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 812-738-9011; **Fishers,** Nov. 22, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 317-841-3583; **Frankfort,** Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 800-219-3210; **Goshen,** Nov. 8, 22, Crystal Valley Log Homes, Info: 574-875-1642; **Marion,** Nov. 5, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 765-664-4032; **Moores Hill,** Nov. 2, 16, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 812-744-5711; **Sellersburg,** Nov. 15, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 812-246-4508; **Shelbyville,** Nov. 9, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 317-835-8086; **Valparaiso,** Nov. 15, Expedition Log Homes, Info: 219-759-6520; **Vevay,** Nov. 8, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 800-446-1748; **Vincennes,** Nov. 15, 16, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 812-726-4849; **Walkerton,** Nov. 15, Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 574-586-3857; **West Harrison,** Nov. 9, Tennessee Log Homes, Info: 812-637-8886; Nov. 15, Gulley Log Homes, Info: 812-637-8600. **SEMINARS: Dearborn County,** Nov. 15, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 812-744-5711; **Indianapolis,** Nov. 2,







Heritage Log Homes, Info: 812-726-4849; Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 800-833-2461; Log Home Living Building Seminar, Info: 800-782-1253.

IOWA

OPEN HOUSES: Dow City, Nov. 8, 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 712-674-3672; **Earlville,** Nov. 2, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 877-218-5517; **Indianola,** Nov. 2, Appalachian Log Structures, Info: 515-961-4120; **Waukee,** Nov. 8, Expedition Log Homes, Info: 888-458-8564; **Wever,** Nov. 8, Real Log Homes, Info: 319-372-2831.

KANSAS

LOG RAISINGS: Holton, Nov. 14, 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 888-494-8564; **Lawrence,** Nov. 21, 22, Real Log Homes, Info: 888-494-8564; **Salina,** Nov. 1, Real Log Homes, Info: 888-494-8564; **Topeka,** Nov. 1, Real Log Homes, Info: 888-494-8564; **Wichita,** Nov. 7, 8, Real Log Homes, Info: 888-494-8564. **OPEN HOUSES: La Cygne,** Nov. 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 913-757-4759; **Manhattan,** Nov. 1, 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 888-494-8564; **St. George,** Nov. 8, 22, Real Log Homes, Info: 888-494-8564.

KENTUCKY

OPEN HOUSES: Burlington, Nov. 23, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 859-689-7787; **Crittenden,** Nov. 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 859-485-1855; **Eddyville,** Nov. 2, 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 888-778-5647; **Frankfort,** Nov. 23, Honest Abe Log Homes, Info: 502-859-2489; **Shelbyville,** Nov. 9, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 502-834-0360; Nov. 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 800-927-0590; **Vevay,** Nov. 8, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 800-446-1748.

MAINE

OPEN HOUSES: Bangor, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Northern Log Homes, Info: 800-553-7311; **Denmark,** Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Northern Log Homes, Info: 207-935-4300; **Raymond,** Nov. 8, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 207-655-3415; **York,** Nov. 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30, Northeastern Log Homes, Info: 800-872-2326. **TOURS: Kenduskeag,** Nov. 15, Northeastern Log Homes, Info: 800-624-2797.

MARYLAND

LOG RAISINGS: Whitehall, Nov. 16, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 410-357-8325. **OPEN HOUSES: Annapolis,** Nov. 15, Nordic Log Homes, Info: 410-573-1986; **Elkton,** Nov. 8, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 410-398-9641; **Frederick,** Nov. 8, 22, Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 301-898-0550; **Gambrills,** Nov. 8, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 888-817-5647; **White Hall,** Nov. 30, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 410-557-9220. **SEMINARS AND TOURS: Whitehall,** Nov. 16, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 410-357-8325.

MASSACHUSETTS

HOME SHOWS: Westfield, Nov. 1–2, Northeastern Log Homes, Info: 800-528-4456; Nov. 14–16, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 800-507-8847; **West Springfield,** Nov. 14–16, Northeastern Log Homes, Info: 800-528-4456; Yankee Barn Homes, Info: 800-258-9786; Log Home Living Home Show, Info: 800-782-1253.

OPEN HOUSES: Charlemont, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 800-507-8847; **Mendon,** Nov. 2, 16, Real Log Homes, Info: 800-634-4838; **Westfield,** Nov. 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30, Northeastern Log Homes, Info: 800-528-4456.

MICHIGAN

OPEN HOUSES: Bellaire, Nov. 22, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 231-377-7063; **Brighton,** Nov. 9, Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 810-231-5802; **Canadian Lakes,** Nov. 2, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 888-751-9424; **Cassopolis,** Nov. 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 269-782-3332; **Constantine,** Nov. 22, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 866-818-0880; **Delton,** Nov. 15, Golden Eagle Log Homes, Info: 269-806-9924; **Fennville,** Nov. 1, 9, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 269-543-4886; **Grayling,** Nov. 15, Golden Eagle Log Homes, Info: 989-344-9762; **Jackson,** Nov. 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 888-925-5846; Nov. 16, Southland Log Homes, Info: 517-529-4001; **Lapeer,** Nov. 8, Real Log Homes, Info: 810-797-3136; **Novi,** Nov. 22, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 734-944-5647; **St. Clair,** Nov. 9, Real Log Homes, Info: 810-367-7521.

MINNESOTA

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NORTH CAROLINA

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OHIO

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OKLAHOMA

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OREGON

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OPEN HOUSES: Benton, Nov. 1, 2, 15, 16, Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 570-925-6165; **Blakeslee,** Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 800-648-2564; **Canadensis,** Nov. 1, 2, Real Log Homes, Info: 570-595-8525; **Fairfield,** Nov. 9, Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 866-312-3737; **Hustontown,** Nov. 8, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 717-987-3067; **Landenberg,** Nov. 15, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 610-255-0328; **Lewisburg,** Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 800-346-7903; **Littlestown,** Nov. 22, Appalachian Log Structures, Info: 717-359-7035; **Poyntelle,** Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Northern Log Homes, Info: 570-448-2900; **Slate Run,** Nov. 1, 2, 15, 16, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 800-567-1344; **Tunkhannock,** Nov. 8, Real Log Homes, Info: 570-840-0240; **White Haven,** Nov. 9, Katahdin Cedar Log Homes, Info: 888-464-5647; **Woolrich,** Nov. 1, 2, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 800-299-5706. **SEMINARS: Tunkhannock,** Nov. 15, Real

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TEXAS

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UTAH

OPEN HOUSES: Duck Creek, Nov. 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30, Real Log Homes, Info: 435-648-2833; **Morgan,** Nov. 15, Real Log Homes, Info: 801-876-2043.

VERMONT

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VIRGINIA

HOME SHOWS: Chantilly, Oct. 31-Nov. 2, Fireside Log Homes, Info: 800-521-5647; Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original, Info: 410-398-9641; Log Home Living Home Show, Info: 800-782-1253; Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 866-845-7800; Yankee Barn Homes, Info: 800-258-9786. **OPEN HOUSES: Basye,** Nov. 15, Tomahawk Log and Country Homes, Info: 540-856-4064; **Culpeper,** Nov. 15, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 540-829-4690; **Fredericksburg,** Nov. 9, Tennessee Log Homes, Info: 540-752-0998; **Front Royal,** Nov. 16, Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 703-476-7433; **Isle of Wight,** Nov. 8, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 757-242-6570; **Louisa,** Nov. 15, 16, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 540-967-3668; **Unionville,** Nov. 9, 30, Heritage Log Homes, Info: 540-854-4926.

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WEST VIRGINIA

TOURS: Ona, Nov. 22, Honest Abe Log Homes, Info: 304-743-6480.

WISCONSIN

LOG RAISINGS: Mosinee, Nov. 1, Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 888-353-2363. **OPEN HOUSES: Lake Geneva,** Nov. 8, Golden Eagle Log Homes, Info: 262-249-8686; **Merrill,** Nov. 8, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 715-539-2751; **Mosinee,** Nov. 23, Wilderness and Greatwood Log Homes, Info: 888-353-2363; **Neenah,** Nov. 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29, Pinecraft Log Homes, Info: 800-729-6132; **Oconomowoc,** Nov. 8, Golden Eagle Log Homes, Info: 262-560-1919; **Prairie du Chien,** Nov. 8, Kuhns Bros. Log Homes, Info: 608-326-9616; **Somerset,** Nov. 8, Northland Log Homes, Info: 888-408-5647; **Wisconsin Rapids,** Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Golden Eagle Log Homes, Info: 800-270-5025. **SEMINARS: Belleville,** Nov. 8, Real Log Homes, Info: 608-832-6261; **Palmyra,** Nov. 15, TreeField Log Homes, Info: 262-495-2746.

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By Definition

The log home building terms you need to know

Air-dried: Wood that has been allowed to dry without application of heat or microwaves. Air-dried logs are usually "stickered" to allow air to circulate around them. The logs may be stored in an area where large fans aid air circulation and enhance drying. The length of time logs are air-dried is often less important than the conditions under which drying takes place. Logs that are simply stacked in the open with no separation between individual pieces and no protection from the elements may take several years to reach fiber saturation.

Allowance: A dollar amount entered in a contract for an item where the exact price is not known. Allowances are often used to cover costs for appliances, cabinets, light fixtures and similar items, where the final selection, and therefore price, may not be known until construction is well under way. By "allowing" a certain amount for these items before construction, a home owner, builder or contractor can provide a firm figure. Later, when the items are selected and their prices known, the contractor simply invoices for the amount of the difference between the allowance and actual cost. When reviewing building contracts, it is important to verify that allowances are realistic; otherwise the home owners may face substantial unexpected costs to complete their home.

Builder: An individual or company responsible for erecting a log home. The builder may erect only the log package or "kit," or they may build the entire house including mechanical systems, floor, ceiling and wall coverings, cabinetry and finish trim.

Builder-dealer: An independent representative of a log home provider who also can operate a construction business that erects the log homes sold through their dealership. The construction business operated by a builder-dealer is usually independent of the log home company they represent.

Building system: Specific structural and nonstructural components as well as the construction details necessary to construct a log home according to specifications and blueprints provided by a manufacturer or handcrafter. The fasteners, sealants and log profile used by a particular manufacturer are often referred to as the log system.

Caulking: Sealant used to fill joints and spaces between logs. Caulk comes in tubes or pails and is applied with a caulk gun in a narrow strip or "bead" that dries to a tough elastic coating. It is usually applied in a color that matches the wood so that it is not prominent when viewed from a distance.

Check: A separation of wood fibers that appears as a result of stresses within the wood that build up during the drying process. Normally, checks are not considered defects in logs or large timbers, but a natural consequence of the drying process. However, the amount of checking can be an indication of the quality of the lumber or drying process. Checks normally have no effect on the structural integrity of a log because fibers are only separated, not damaged or broken.

Chinking: Filling used between rows of logs. Most often used in log systems where rows of logs do not bear directly on the row below, but are separated by a space of about 1 inch or more. Traditional chinking is mortar-based. Modern synthetic chinking, manufactured to look like traditional chinking, is similar to caulk but with greater density and durability.

Corner notch: A notch cut to interlock logs at a corner intersection. There are a number of notch styles used in constructing log homes. The type of notch will determine the appearance of the log corners.

Decay resistance: The ability of wood to resist the effects of exposure to air, water and the ultraviolet rays in sunlight. While wood species vary in their resistance, none is completely decay-proof.

Drawknife: A tool consisting of a sharp blade set between two handles. Users pull the blade toward their bodies along the log's surface to peel bark or wood.

Equilibrium moisture content (EMC): The point at which the internal moisture content of wood is in equilibrium or "balance" with its environment. EMC is considered the final moisture level of wood, or the point at which shrinkage stops. In reality, wood will continue to gain and lose moisture in reaction to changes in its environment throughout its life. However, substantial change usually doesn't occur after the wood reaches EMC.

Manufacturer: A company that provides log home packages consisting of machine-milled logs and other components of a log home; also called "kit manufacturer." Most manufacturers package logs with other components, such as windows, doors and interior framing, plus services such as design, drafting and material listing.

Mechanical systems: Plumbing, heating and cooling, and electrical systems together comprise the primary mechanical systems of a log home. Specialized, licensed subcontractors usually install them.

Moisture content: The amount of water contained within wood, usually expressed as the percentage weight of water relative to the oven-dry weight of the wood. Water contained within the wood may be "free water" found between wood cells or "bound water" found within the cell walls. Drying of wood does not result in significant shrinkage until all free water has been removed. The point at which no free water remains and shrinkage begins is known as the fiber saturation point (FSP).

Owner-builder: Someone purchasing a log home package for themselves who intends to perform the actual physical labor of construction. Most owner-builders also are owner-contractors who subcontract mechanical and other trades as demanded by their level of experience or local regulations.

Precut logs: Logs that have been cut by the provider to fit into a specific location in a log wall. Precut logs are numbered and accompanied by a diagram that shows the location of each log in the wall.

Preservative: A chemical applied to logs to protect them from decay and the effects of weathering. Preservatives may contain a mixture of chemicals designed to protect against different threats, such as mold, mildew or ultraviolet light.

Provider: Any company providing logs and other components of a log home. Log providers may be manufacturers, handcrafters or suppliers, such as loggers or sawmills.

Punch list: A list made by the home owner or contractor, usually near the end of construction, detailing minor corrections or incomplete items that must be finished before construction is considered complete.

R-value: A measure of a material's resistance to the flow of heat. R-value is a laboratory measurement based on the constant temperatures on both sides of a material, such as a log wall. However, it does not reflect the fluctuating conditions that face insulating materials in actual use, nor does it include the effect of thermal mass on energy efficiency.

Random-length logs: Milled or hand-peeled logs that are included in log packages. They come in generic lengths intended to be cut to their exact length during construction.



A crew member places a backer rod that will be sealed with CHINKING. For more about SEALANTS, see page 86.

Sealant: A material used to prevent the passage of air or water through the joints or checks in a log home. Sealants may be liquid, such as caulk, or solid, such as foam or butyl rubber.

Settlement: In log homes, settlement usually refers to the reduction in height of a log wall mainly as a result of shrinkage of the logs and, to a lesser extent, compression of fasteners and sealants. When properly accounted for in the design and construction of a log system, settlement is not a problem. Handcrafters and manufacturers have devised a number of techniques for accommodating a wide range of settlement.

Settlement space: A separation between logs and framing elements, such as window and door frames, or between sections of interior wall framing that allows for settlement of a log wall. For example, if no settlement space is left over doors and windows and then settlement takes place, the upper logs, second floor and roof systems may eventually bear on windows and doors with the result that these units become damaged or inoperable.

Shrinkage: A reduction in the dimension of wood resulting from moisture loss below fiber saturation point. The amount of shrinkage is usually expressed as a percentage of the initial or "green" dimension of the wood. Depending on moisture content and construction methods, log shrinkage can result in the settling of a log wall.

Softwood: Generally narrow or needle-leafed trees that retain their leaves year-round; classified by botanists as gymnosperms. The term softwood does not refer to the actual hardness of the wood. The majority of log homes are made from softwoods such as species of pine, fir and spruce.

Spline: A rigid wood, plastic or metal piece used to strengthen and seal joints. On log homes, splines are sometimes used in the joint where adjacent logs butt together. Also used in some milled and handcrafted systems to align, hold and seal window and door bucks to logs.

Standing dead timber: Timber from trees that have been killed by insects or weather-related damage. Because the trees have been left standing after their death, moisture content may be quite low, depending on the climate and the length of time they have been dead.

Structural insulated panel (SIP): A building component consisting of a layer of foam sandwiched between layers of oriented strand board. Because they can provide the structural support necessary, they are used to make exterior walls and roof systems. SIPs have been used in commercial construction for many years but are just beginning to be used in residential construction. In log homes, they are most often used in built-up roof systems.

Thermal mass: The ability of high-mass materials, such as wood, masonry or stone, to absorb heat energy. Such absorption can improve energy efficiency by modifying energy demands. Wall systems with high thermal mass can, under certain optimal conditions, perform better than some conventionally framed walls.

Tongue-and-groove decking: Dimensional lumber with a tongue milled into one edge and a matching groove milled into the opposite edge. Tongue-and-groove decking can be used for the subfloor or as finished flooring. In some instances, it's applied to the ceiling.

Truss: A structural building component fabricated from dimensional lumber, steel or heavy timbers. Trusses are used to support roofs and floors. Heavy timber trusses give log roof systems their distinctive appearance. Dimensional lumber trusses usually are covered and hidden from view by floor and ceiling coverings.

Turn key: An expression meaning complete construction to a point where the only thing the purchaser has to do is "turn the key and move in." However, definitions of "complete" can vary greatly, so it is important that contracts are specific about the work required to ensure completion.

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Floorplans and Handcrafter's Gallery

The most exciting aspect of planning a custom home, be it a manufactured or handcrafted log home, is the opportunity to select the perfect floorplan for you and your family. It's a big step toward starting the building process of your dream home; it marks the transformation from a mere concept to a tangible reality, and you'll see the proof right before your eyes.

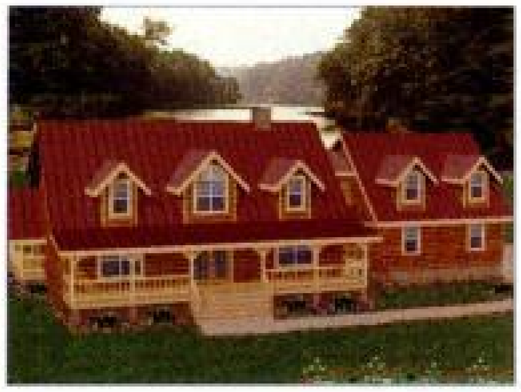
As you browse through these floorplans, be aware of a design's practical and functional features, as well as desirable amenities. View many designs to visualize what you want in your log home. Note your specific preferences regarding key elements, such as room, window and door placement, while also envisioning a layout that will best accommodate your family's needs.

Apply your needs and wants to the floorplans that you'll find on the following pages in this Annual Buyer's Guide. From manufactured to handcrafted log homes (found in the Handcrafter's Gallery), review a variety of these floorplans to give yourself an idea of just what can be accomplished while adhering to certain square footage and price requirements. When possible, we have included the dimensions of each room. These are paid advertising sections, and the package pricing information has been supplied by the respective companies. Feel free to work with the producers to alter their plans, but copyright issues prevent "shopping around" specific plans or other companies' work.

Examine the function of your home. Note the desired locations for the activity zones, places for sleeping, working, eating and living. A primary residence may require private areas for each of the home's occupants. However, a vacation retreat may inspire a more open, common space where guests and residents can interact. Whatever your choices, be consistent with the function and flow of your dream home.

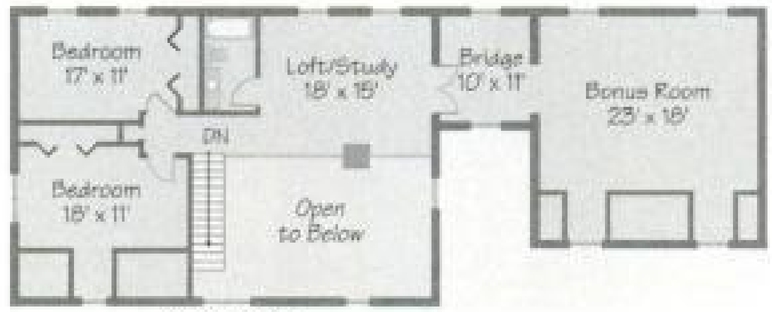
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Battle Creek Log Homes

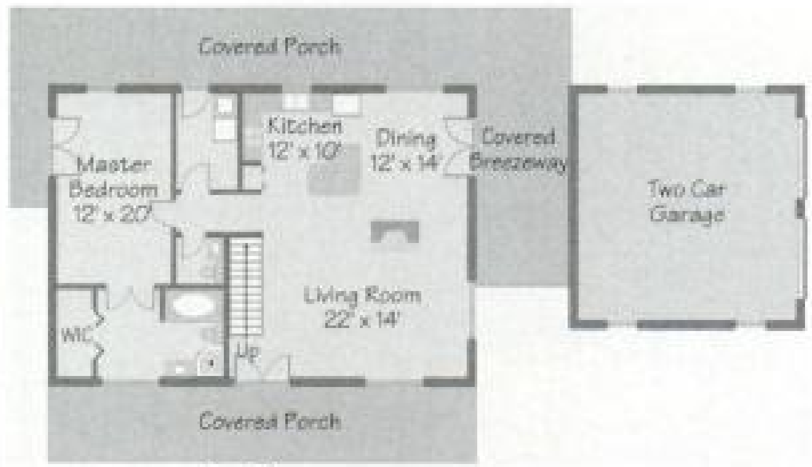


Undeniably appealing, the gabled dormer windows and covered porches give this three-bedroom home its warmth and country appeal. That warmth is carried inside, where a multi-purpose loft overlooks a gracious living room. A spacious breezeway connects the two-car garage with an additional bonus room to the main house.

Battle Creek II
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,719
Package Price: $119,900



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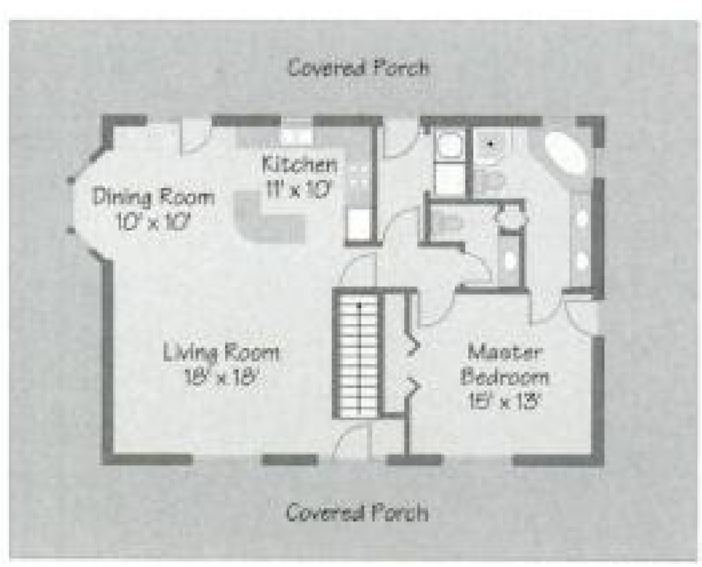
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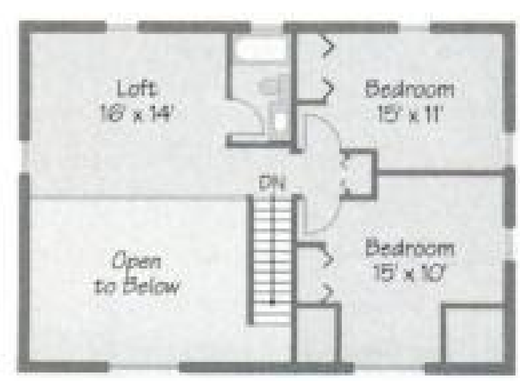


Featuring wraparound porches and oversized dormers, the Boone House is the quintessential log cabin. You will fall in love with its spacious rooms and dramatic ceilings as you bask in its relaxing atmosphere. Perfect for the wooded lot or the open plains, inquire today about making the Boone House yours.

Boone House
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 1,861
Package Price: $84,136



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The North Rapids combines contemporary styling with traditional log home design. You will enjoy relaxing under its vast covered porches or taking in views from its spacious living room in this elegant, but rustic, log home. For more information on the North Rapids or other Battle Creek plans, call Battle Creek Log Homes.

North Rapids
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 4
Square Footage: 2,265
Package Price: Starting at $96,900



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Here is a superb home that truly defines the term open space. The Whispering Pines, a spacious updated A-frame style, savors a view from the great room area, which is surrounded by an outdoor deck. Even the bedrooms are exceptionally large. The loft overlooking the great room shares the second floor with two bedrooms and a bath.

Whispering Pines
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,504
Package Price: $99,900

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The Black Hawk design is an open and spacious floorplan. It features interior log walls with archways in the great room, while the log post and glass-prow front produce a dramatic effect. The Black Hawk design also has an attached three-car garage.

The Black Hawk

Bedrooms: 5
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 3,108
Package Price: Call for prices

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This large, traditional-style log home with its spacious three bedrooms offers country living with all the modern conveniences of the 21st century.

The McCall

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,408
Package Price: Call for prices

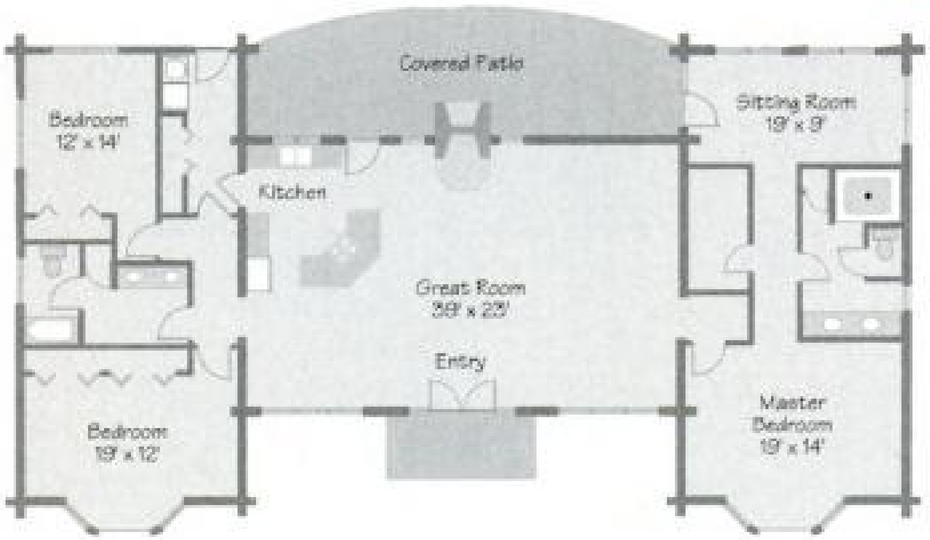
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The uninterrupted flow of the great room, kitchen and dining area offers centralized living in this home. The large fireplace in the great room accents the cathedral ceiling. Large bedrooms are situated in opposite wings for added privacy. Precision Craft specializes in custom design and can modify this or any plan.

The Coronado
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,719
Package Price: Call for prices

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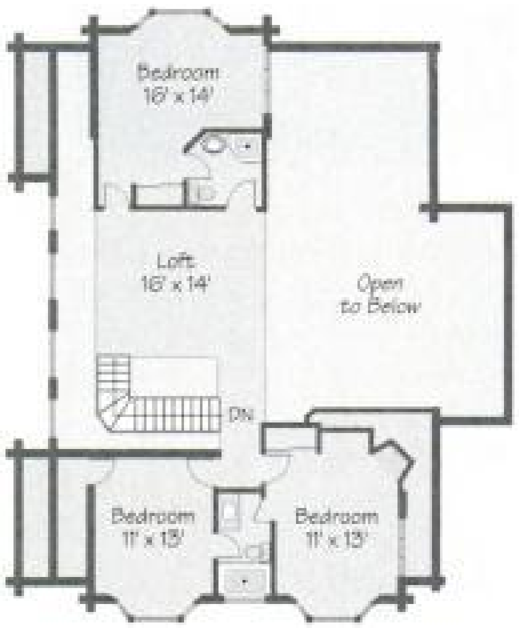
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The McKinley offers open great room and dining areas that are surrounded by windows. The secluded master bedroom has an impressive dressing room and private master bath. Upstairs is a floating loft bridge, three bedrooms, two baths and a sitting area. Precision Craft specializes in custom design and can modify this or any plan.

The McKinley
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 3 1/2
Square Footage: 3,156
Package Price: Call for prices

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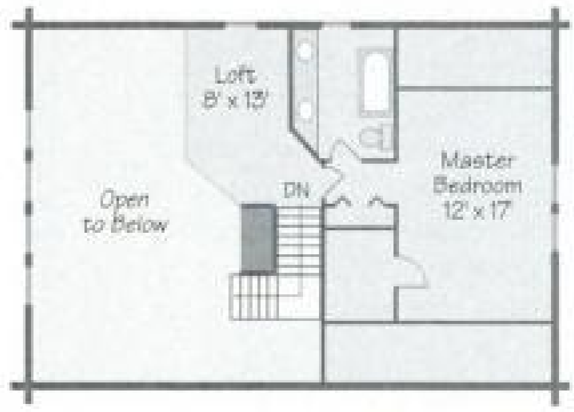
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The Payette features an open floorplan providing plenty of space for family gatherings. The master bedroom has a full bath and walk-in closet, while the loft offers the perfect place to relax. The deck is just right for a barbecue or simply enjoying the view.



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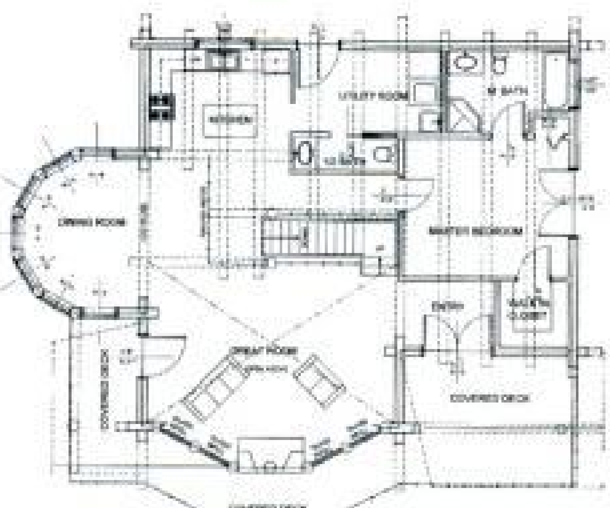
The Payette
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,610
Package Price: Call for prices

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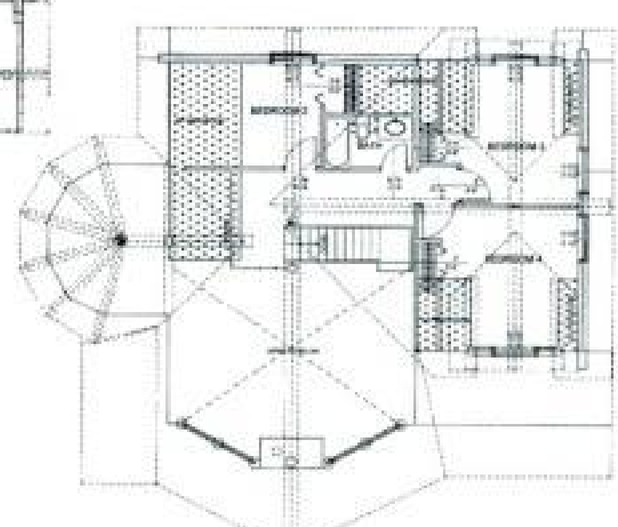
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The Wyoming features a large great room perfect for entertaining. The unique dining room takes advantage of the views with large windows, while covered porches make outdoor living a relaxing experience. A master suite and three bedrooms allow plenty of room for guests.



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The Wyoming
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,155
Package Price: Call for prices

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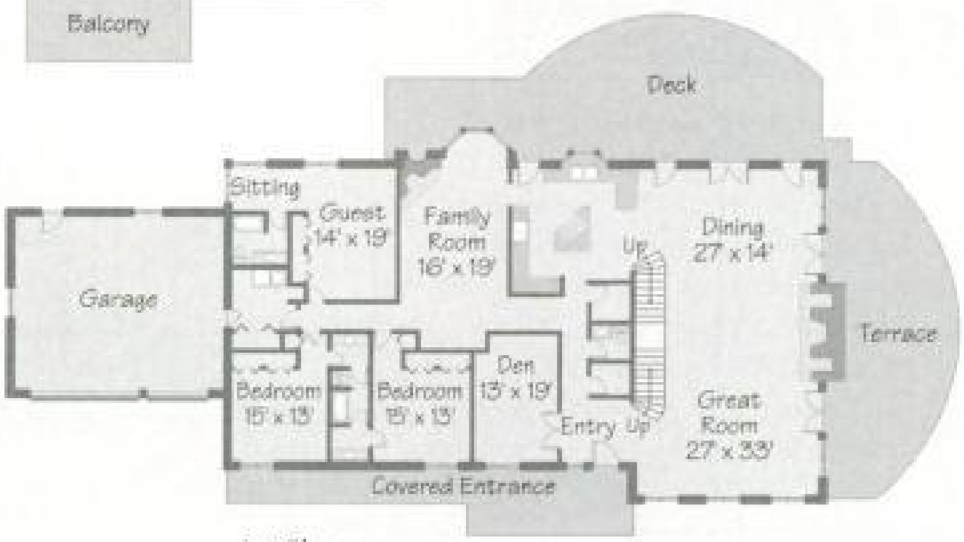
A formal entry welcomes you into this spacious home. Numerous windows admit ample light and accent the warmth of the purlin roof system. The large great room, accented by a towering fireplace, provides a natural gathering place. A double staircase leads to an impressive loft and the master bedroom, which features a private balcony. The main floor features a separate family room and a second master bedroom. Precision Craft specializes in custom design and can modify this or any plan.

The Sun Valley

Bedrooms: 5
Baths: 4 1/2
Square Footage: 6,015
Package Price: Call for prices



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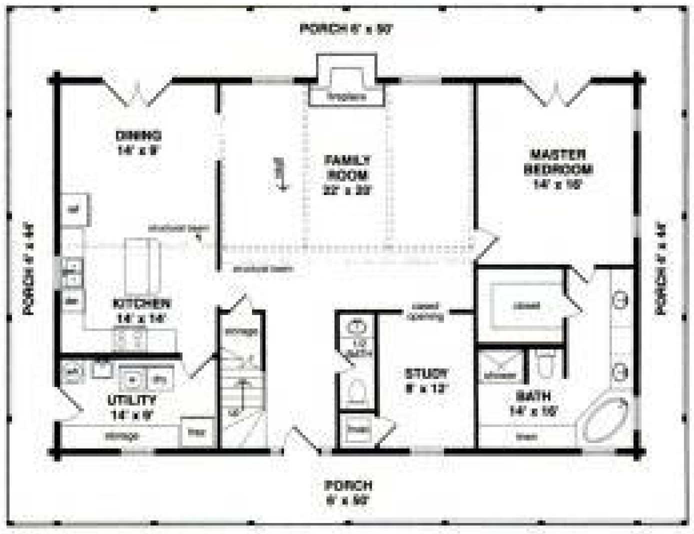
The wraparound porches of this plan create an old-fashioned facade. The entryway opens into the vaulted family room with a soaring fireplace. The roomy country kitchen connects with the dining area and the master suite finds seclusion at the other end of the home. An upstairs bedroom has its own private bath.

The Austin

Bedrooms: 2
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,330
Package Price: $43,150



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The Caddo with Loft is a popular plan and rightly so. The family room's vaulted ceiling and the open living area creates an air of spaciousness. Near the efficient kitchen is a utility room. Upstairs, the master bedroom has a private bath, and a balcony overlooks the family and dining rooms. The two downstairs bedrooms share a bath.

The Caddo with Loft

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,615
Package Price: $23,758



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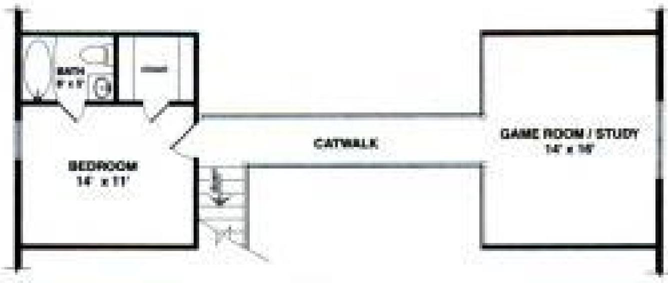
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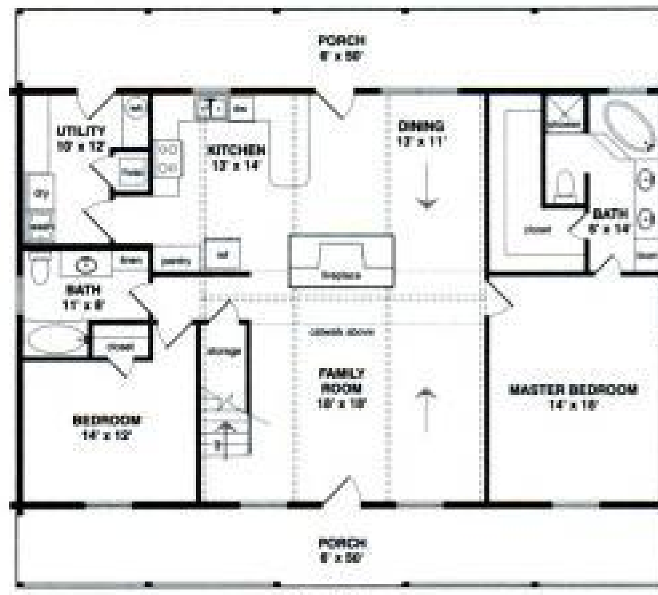
This ranch-style home meets the needs of today's family. The spacious open living areas are highlighted by the centrally located fireplace and dramatic second-floor catwalk. The efficient kitchen and dining area are adjoined by a convenient utility room. A downstairs master suite offers both privacy and luxury.

The Texan with Loft

Bedrooms: 3 to 4
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 2,050
Package Price: $31,532



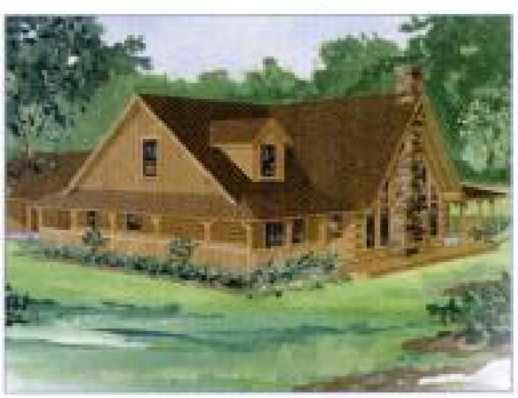
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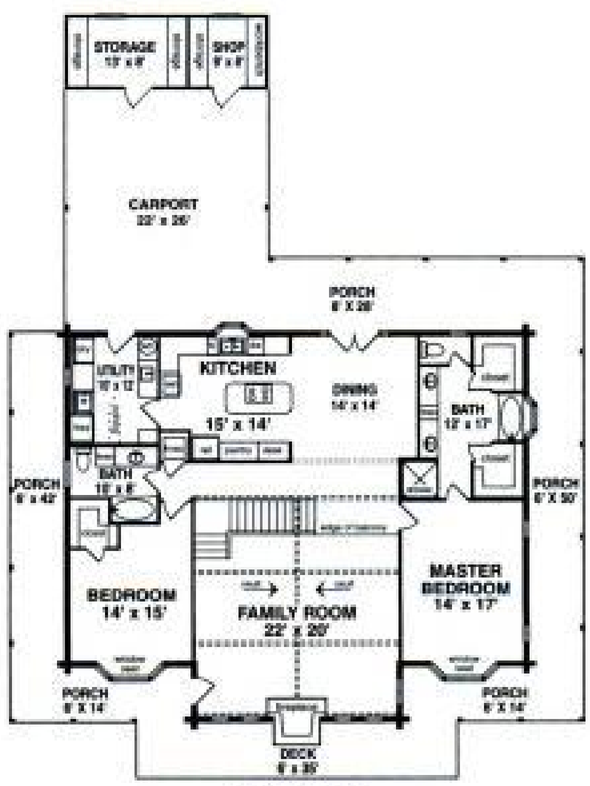
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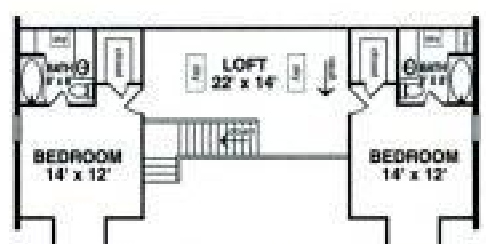
The great room is the central part of this home. The spacious kitchen-dining area includes a large cooktop island and a pantry, and opens to the back porch. The master bedroom offers a bay window seat, two walk-in closets, a spa tub and separate shower. Each upstairs bedroom has a walk-in closet and full bath.

The Woodland

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 4
Square Footage: 2,842
Package Price: $59,621



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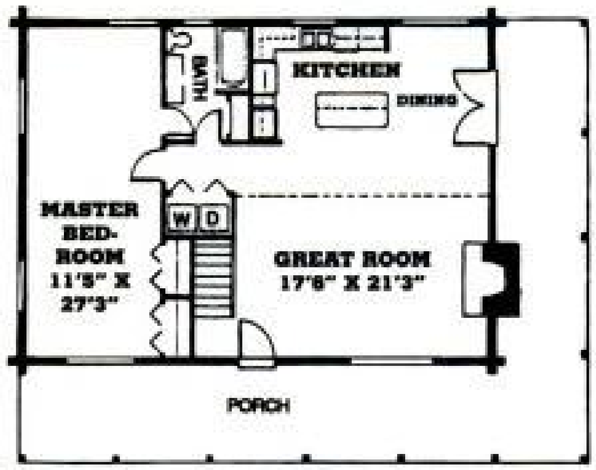
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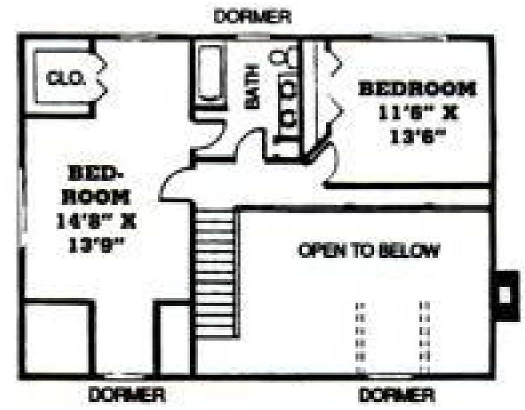
Country charm at its best, this home features a master bedroom on the main level, two bedrooms upstairs and gable dormers for maximum room and viewing.

The Apalachicola

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,761
Package Price: $79,900 (standard package)



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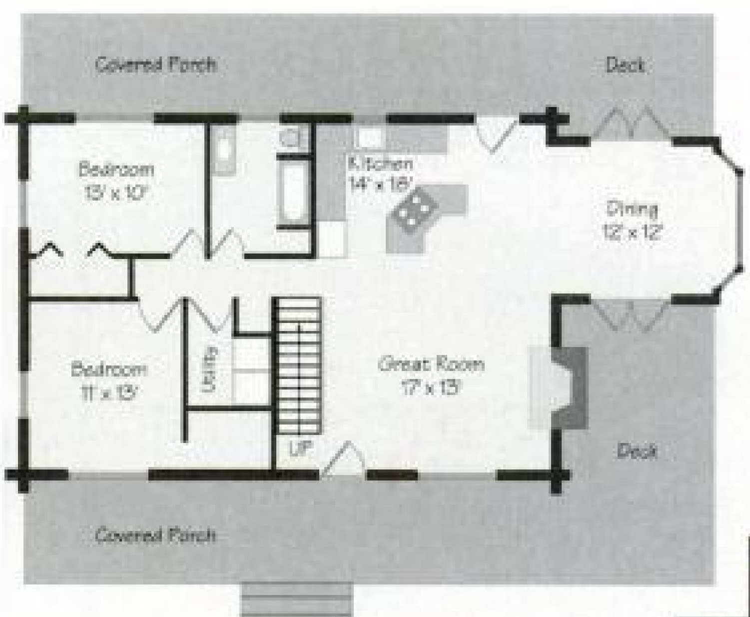
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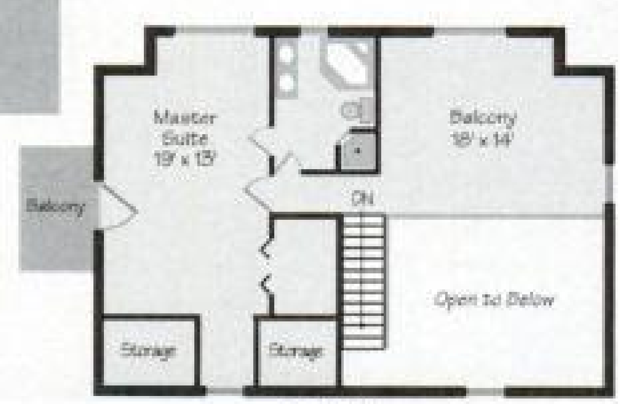
This home offers a living area with a fireplace and a dining area tucked off the kitchen. Upstairs, a loft gives a spacious, airy feeling, and the secluded master suite has its own balcony.

The Manatee

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,083
Package Price: $97,100 (standard package)



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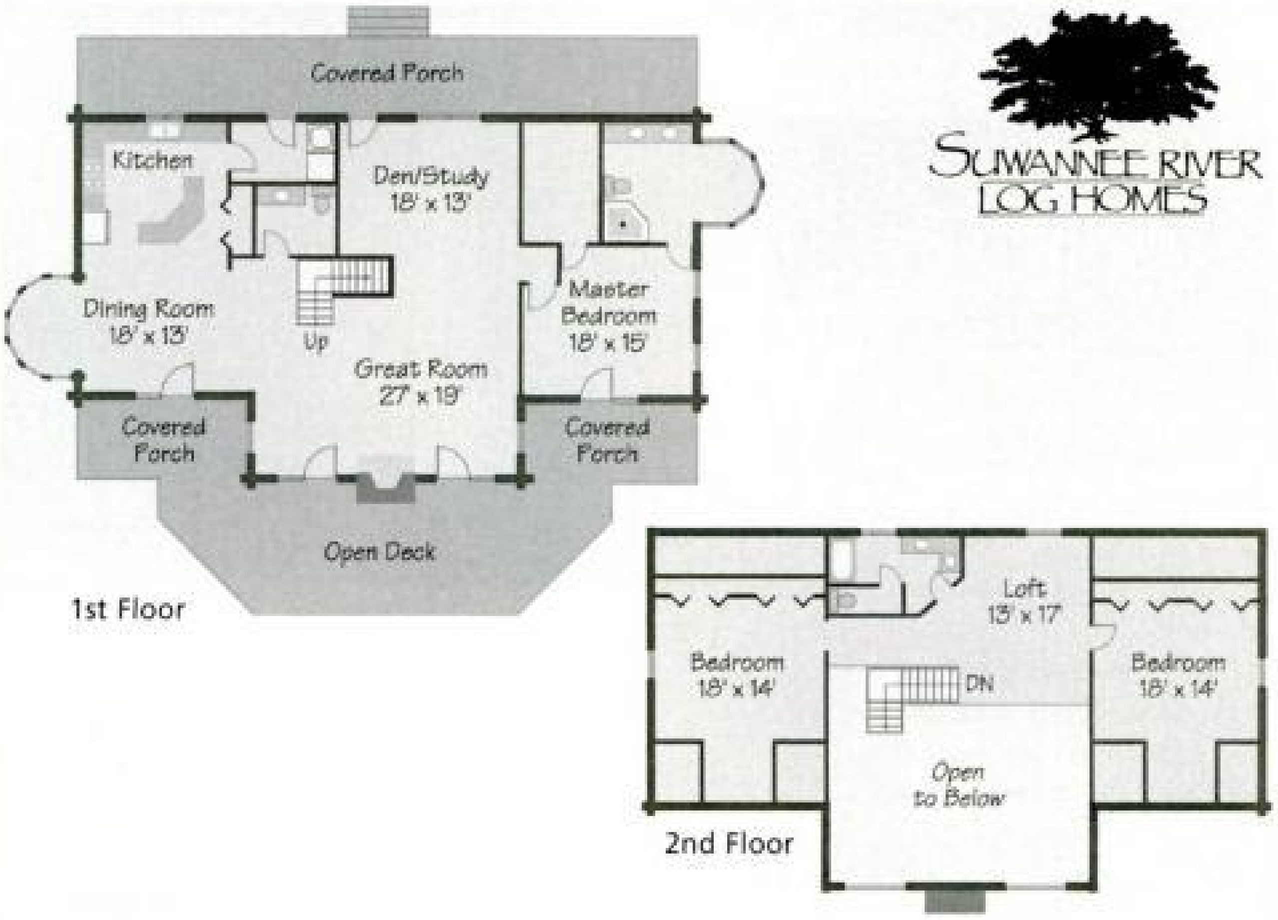
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This spacious plan features unheralded views from anywhere in the home, from the huge great room to the dining room and even the master bedroom. Large bow windows increase the light in both the dining room and the master bath, while both large upstairs bedrooms have 8-foot dormers for maximum exposure.

The Shenandoah

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 3,092
Package Price: $129,900
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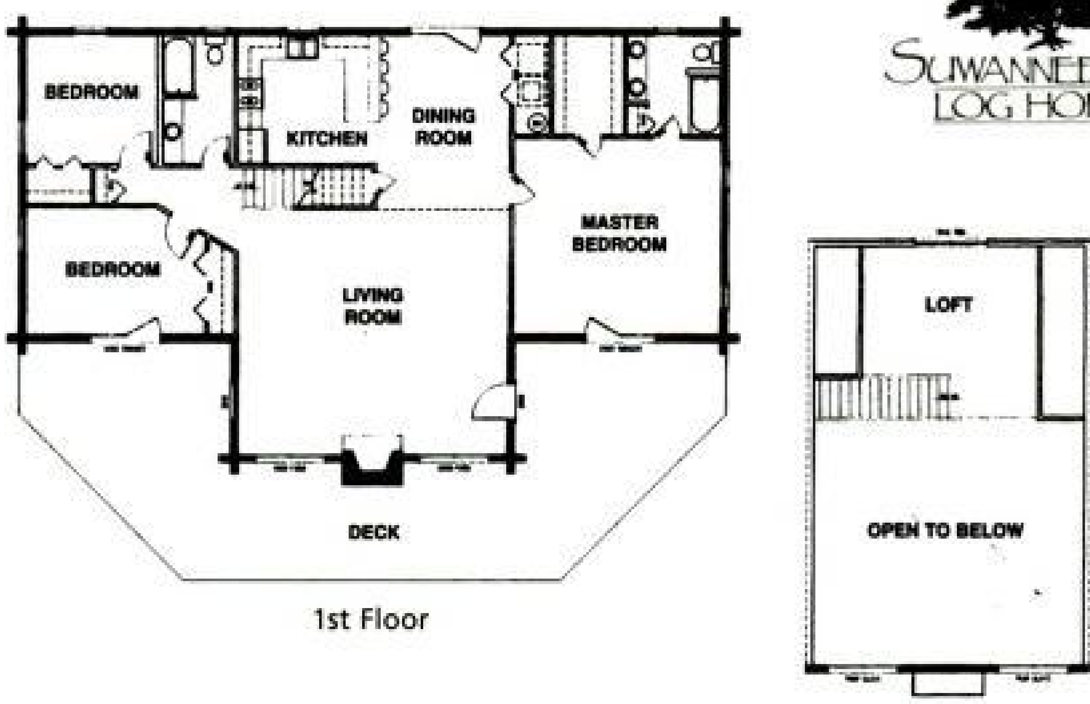
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The living room, dining area and kitchen of this home flow into one another, allowing for casual living. A dramatic cathedral ceiling over the living room adds to this home's open feel.

The Silverado

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,095
Package Price: $88,900
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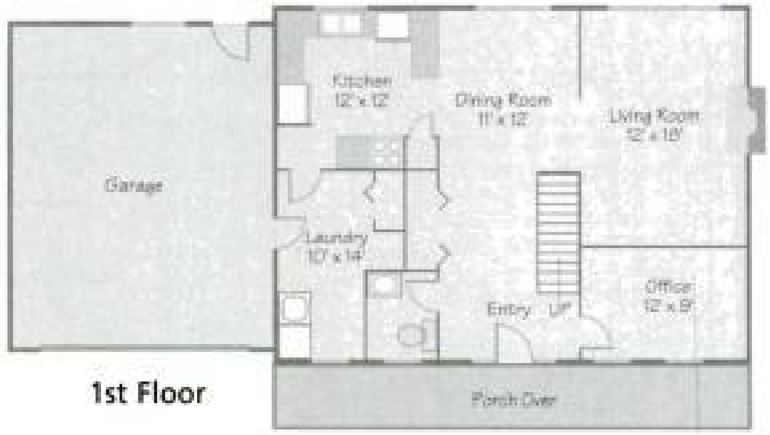
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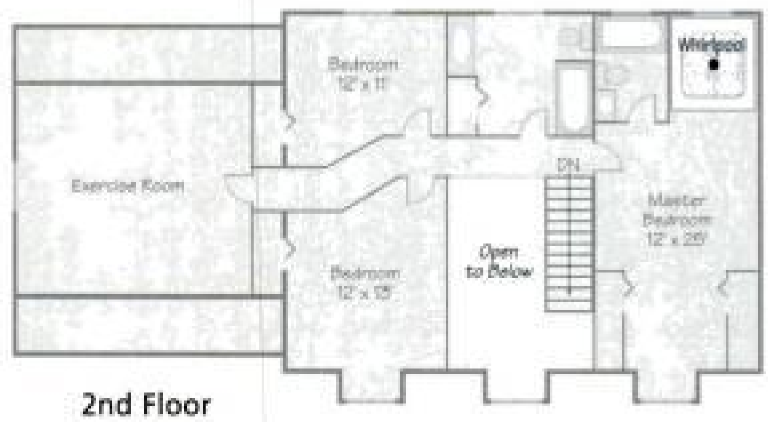


An impressive home in any setting. The living room has a massive fireplace to enjoy on cold winter nights. A dramatic entranceway opens into the dining area, and the well-designed kitchen has access to the laundry room and garage. On the second floor, an open hallway leads to a full bath, two bedrooms and exercise room.

Cambridge I
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,549
Package Price: Call for prices



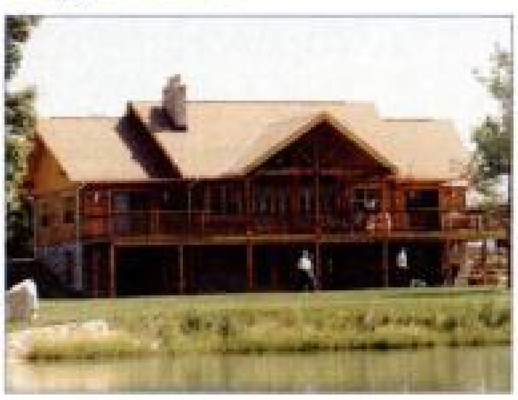
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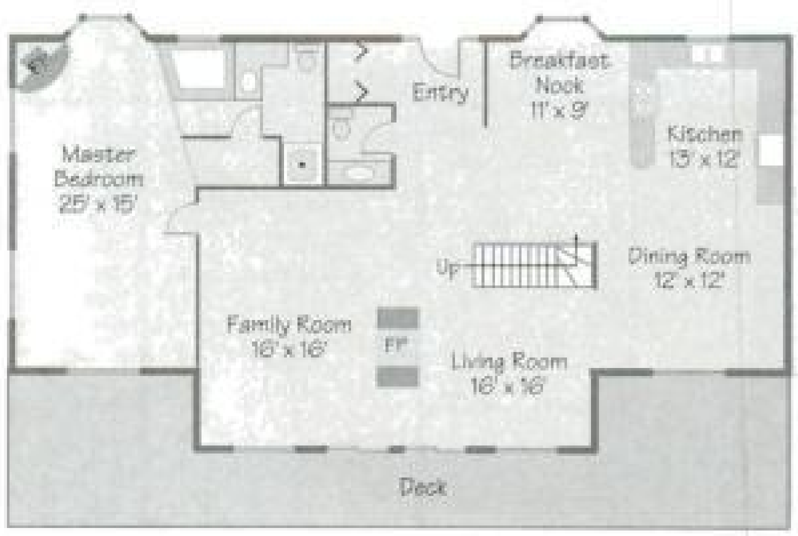
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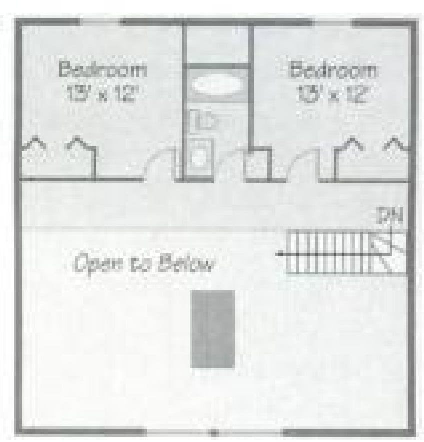


This three-bedroom floorplan features a spacious living room with fireplace and a kitchen with lots of counter space showing a breakfast nook and dining room. The master bedroom has a raised ensuite bath with whirlpool. Two bedrooms on the second floor overlook the living room.

Regency
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,342
Package Price: Call for prices



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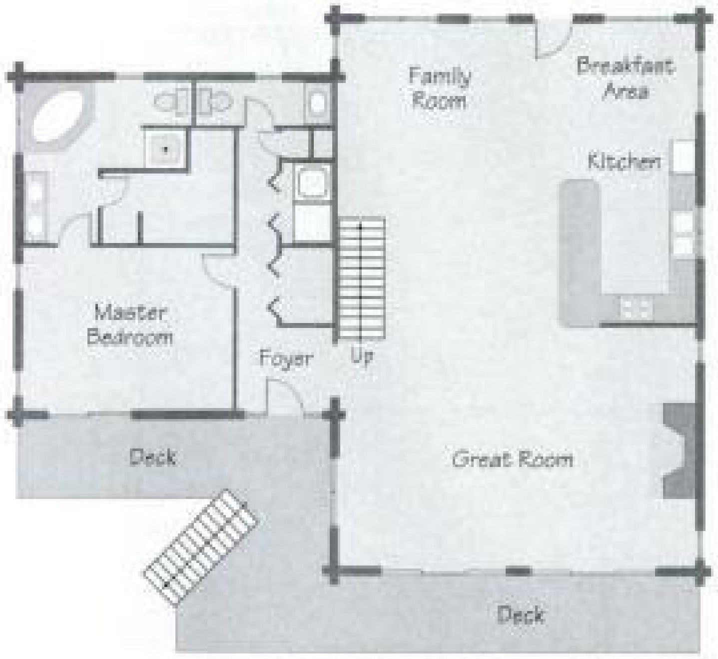
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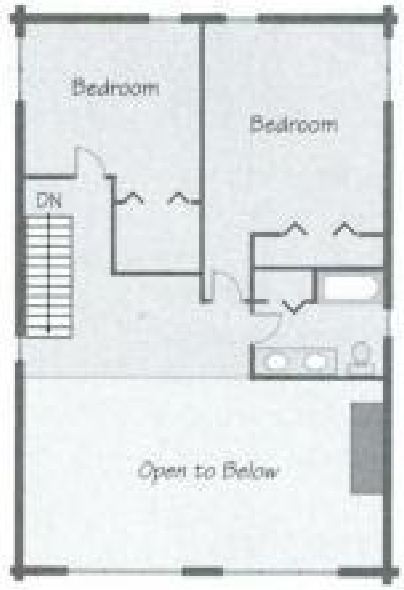
The combined living and dining area, which is enhanced by a vaulted ceiling, features a fireplace. This spacious and airy feeling continues upstairs, where a loft overlooks the living area and generous dormers brighten two large bedrooms. There is a stepped tub, a shower and dual sinks to pamper the first-floor master suite.

The Alta Classic II
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,556
Package Price: Call for prices

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Alta Log Homes



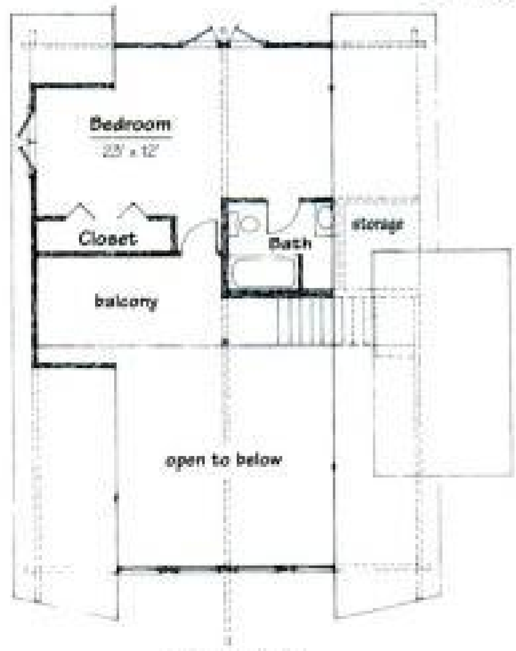
The Sagamore, Alta's classic and timeless design, features a spectacular expanse of glass. The warmth of wood and windows combined with an efficient layout is a customer favorite. This home defines elegance and exudes warmth.

The Sagamore
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,687
Package Price: Call for prices

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Open the front door to your new Canyon View log home and you get an immediate sense of space and comfort. The combined living room, kitchen and dining areas blend beautifully for maximum enjoyment. Large bedrooms and well thought out bathroom layouts make this home exceptional in every way.

Canyon View

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 1,970
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The Lake View is as comfortable on the inside as it is beautiful on the outside. The spacious master bedroom and bath provide comfort and privacy, while the open dining and great rooms provide the wide-open space that is the signature feature of this model.

Lake View

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,372
Package Price: Call for prices

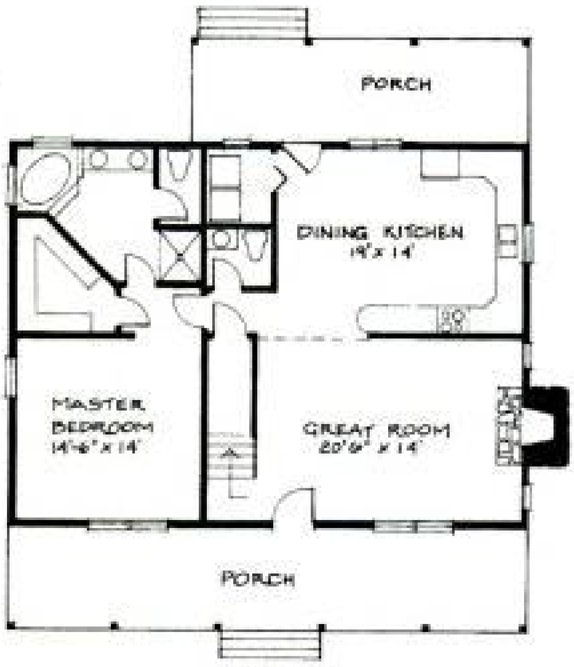
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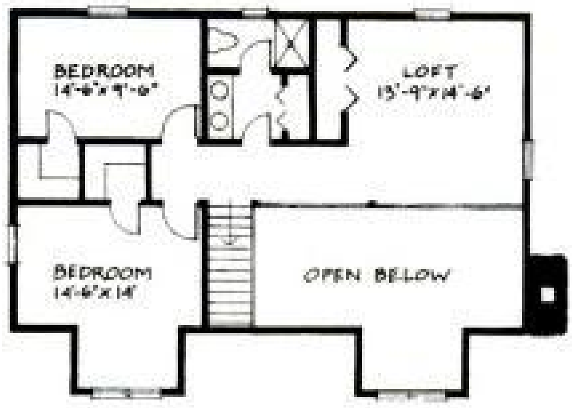


The Cimarron is a classic three-bedroom, one-and-a-half story with two porches and large window dormers in the front. The home reflects the authentic character of the Appalachian tradition. This practical layout includes the master bedroom on the main floor with two bedrooms, a bath and large loft on the second.

The Cimarron
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,040
Package Price: Call for prices



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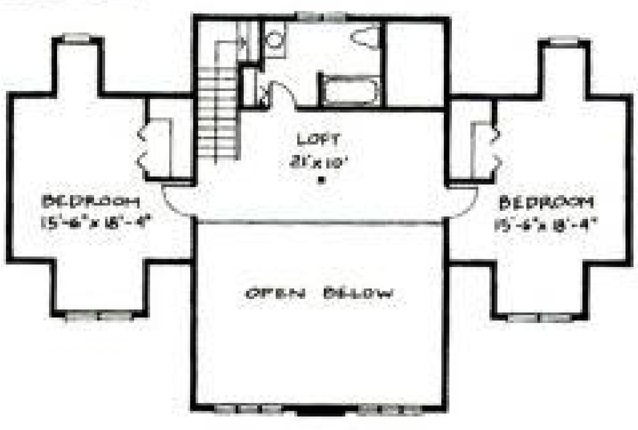


This home provides views from all of the main rooms with plenty of windows to let the sun in. The large kitchen features an island and is located off the dining room. The master bedroom, with its own full bath and walk-in closet, is located on the main floor.

The Park
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,427
Package Price: Call for prices



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American Heritage Log Homes

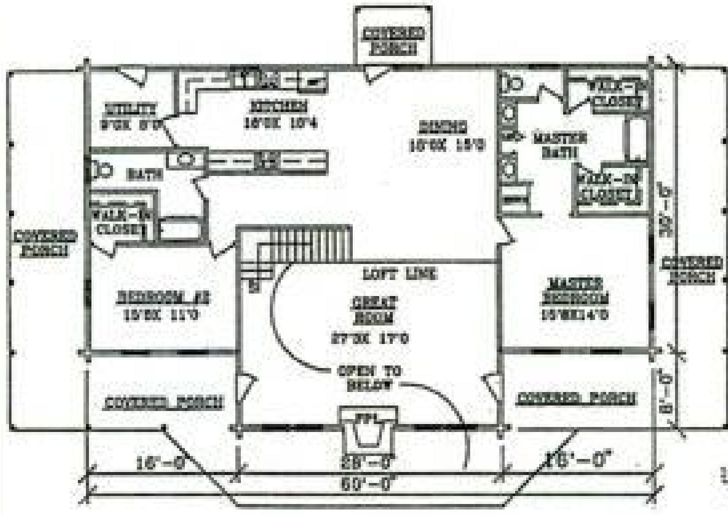


This magnificent four-bedroom, four-bath home with a spacious loft offers the best of everything for even the most discriminating tastes. A large living area with an inviting rock fireplace is the perfect spot for entertaining, or move to the big wraparound porch. Add a swing and rocking chairs and enjoy relaxation at its best.

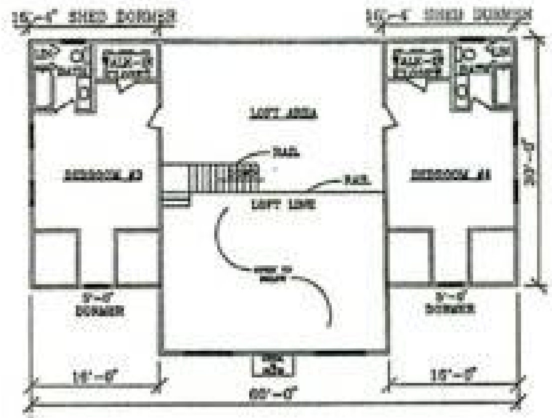
Country Classic

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 4
Square Footage: 2,986
Package Prices: $52,146

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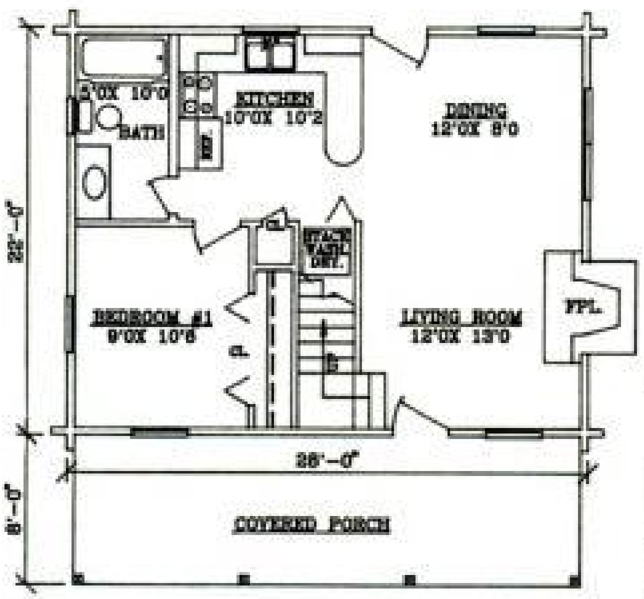


This is a smaller home that is perfect for retirement or vacation. It features 902 square feet and one-and-a-half stories with two bedrooms and two baths. It also has a fireplace and a wonderful covered porch for relaxing.

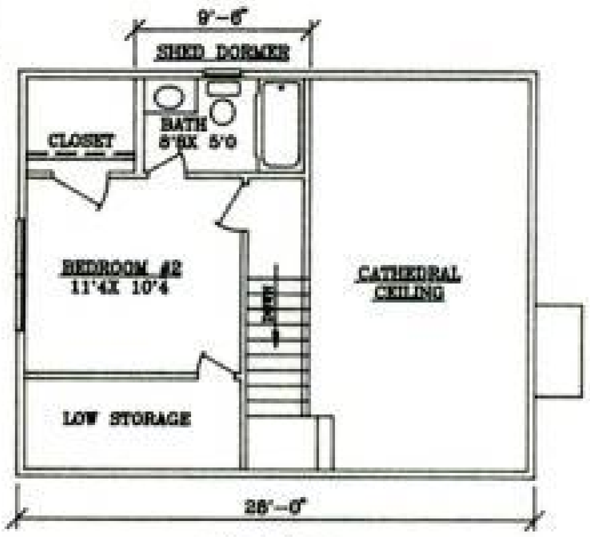
Mountain Ash

Bedrooms: 2
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 902
Package Prices: $15,014

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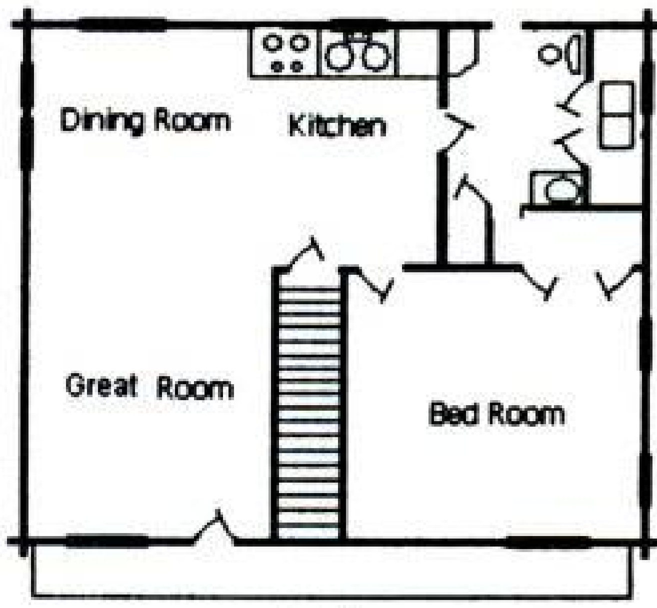
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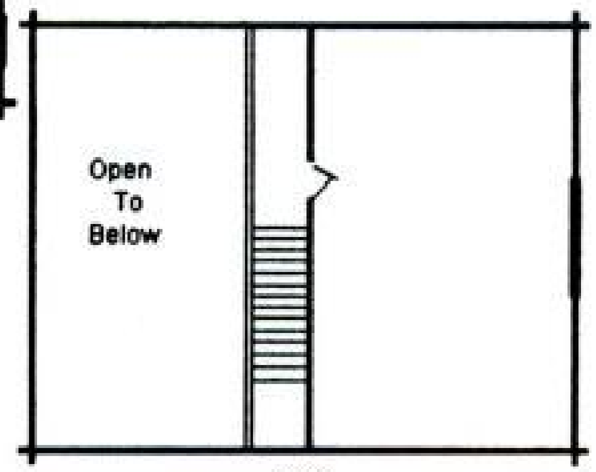
Looking for a retreat in the mountains or on your favorite lake? Or do you just want to escape for the weekend? With its simple layout and cozy feel, the Millboro plan is perfect no matter what you're looking for. Open beam ceilings, a timber frame loft and a front porch add to the charm.

Millboro
Bedrooms: 1
Baths: 1
Square Footage: 1,224
Package Price: Call for prices

BPB Log Homes



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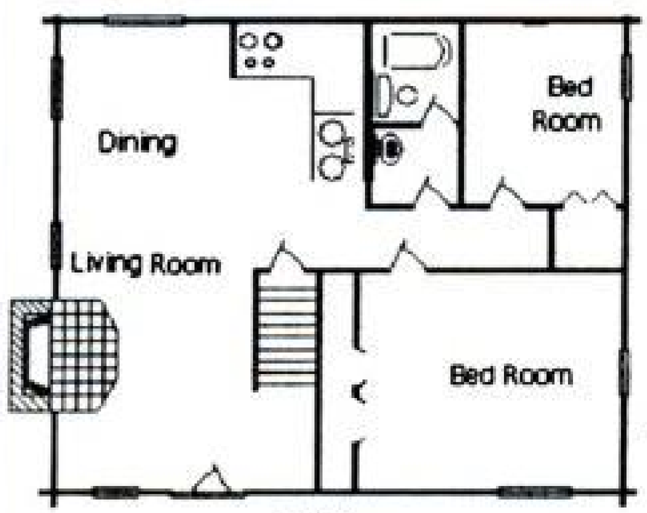
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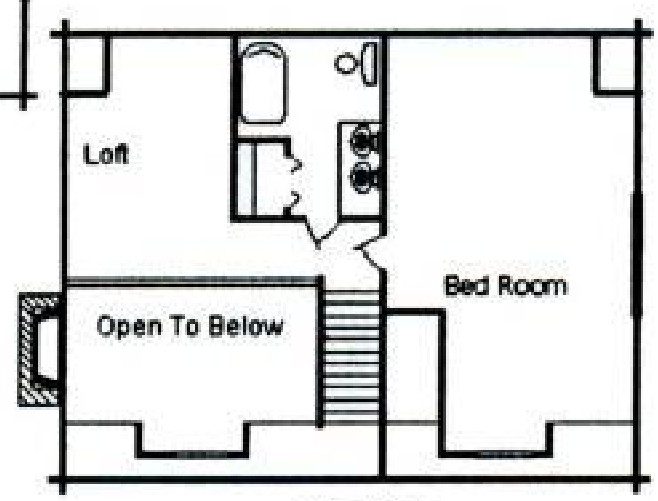
The Overlook is a magnificent home for family living or a vacation retreat. The second-floor bedroom can also be used as a study or a sewing room, or omitted for an expanded loft area and family room.

Overlook
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,055
Package Price: Call for prices

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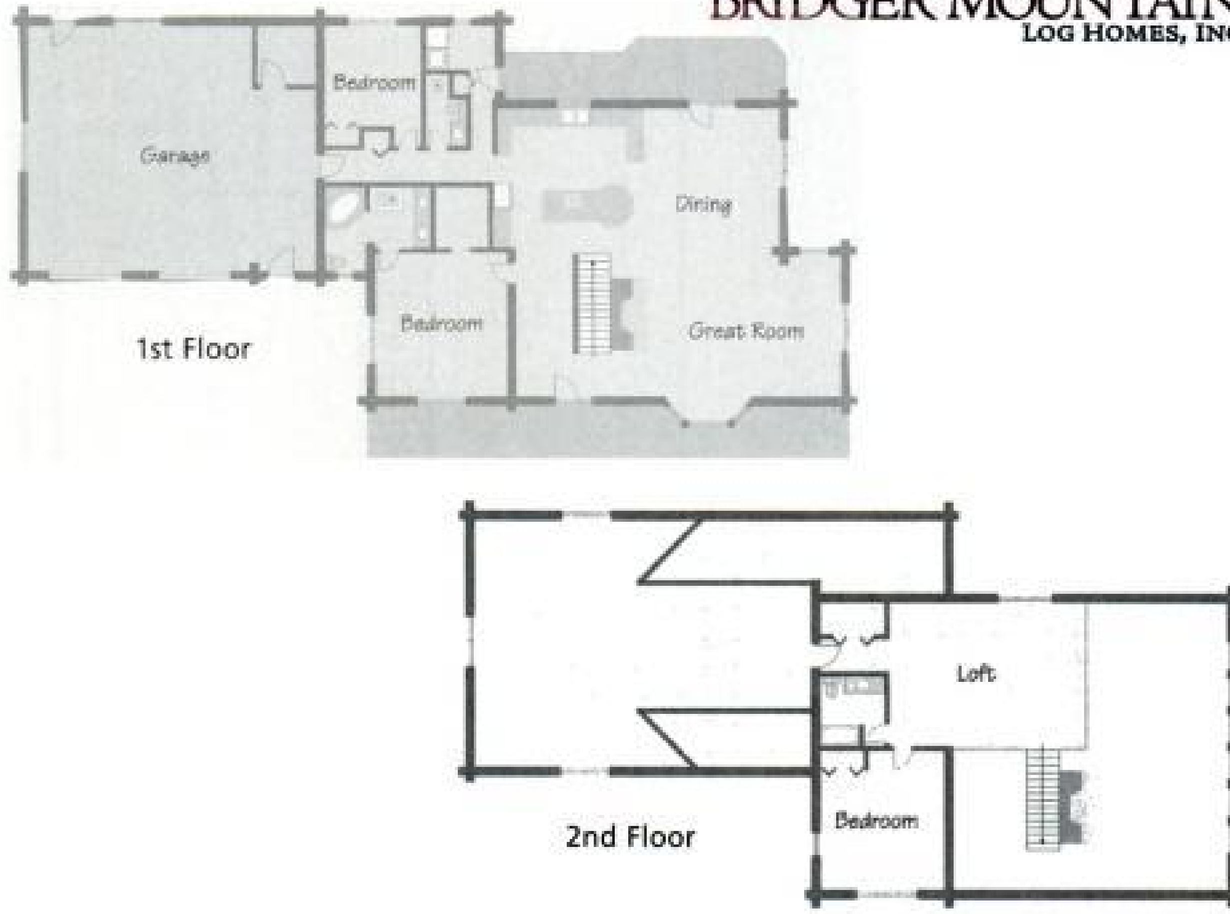


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Extra features are abundant in our new Bannack floorplan. This very functional yet architecturally pleasing and dramatic home features a massive log truss and purlins. All rooms are spacious and traffic flows freely through the main living areas.

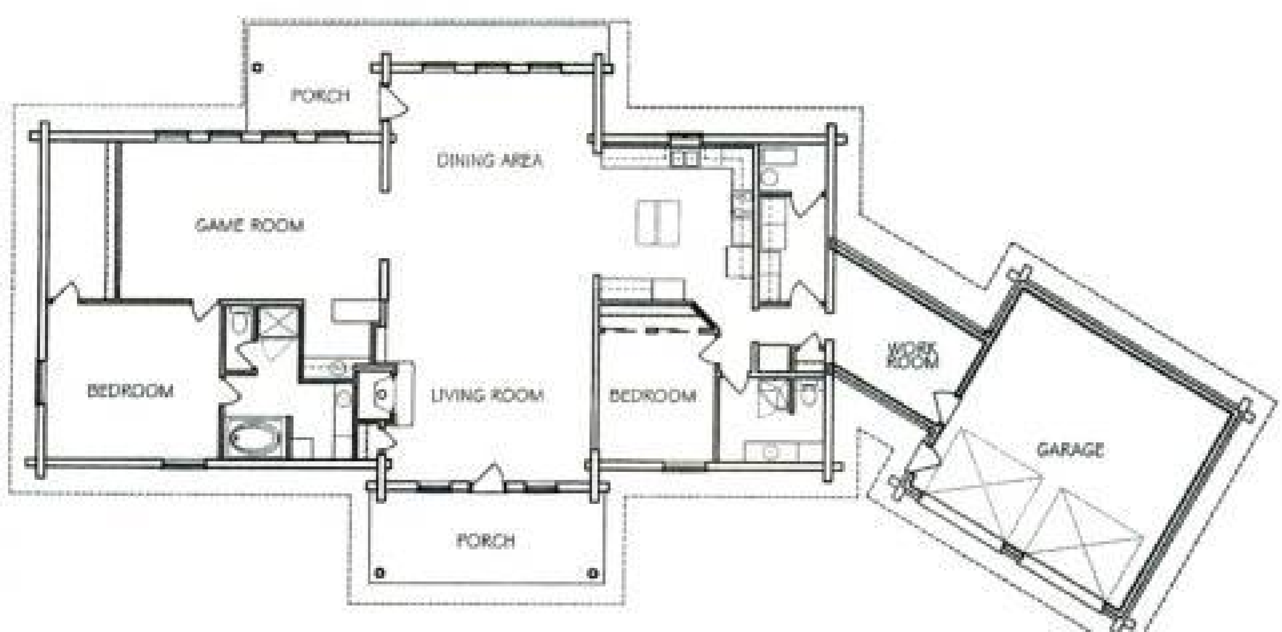
The Bannack

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 3,678
Package Price: Call for prices

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Breaking the conventional lines of a typical ranch, the Techumseh offers the full benefits of one-level living. Spacious room sizes, an ample game room and efficient kitchen design highlight this well-designed plan. The two-car garage and workroom complete the convenience of this efficient design.

The Techumseh

Bedrooms: 2
Baths: 1
Square Footage: 2,555
Package Price: Call for prices

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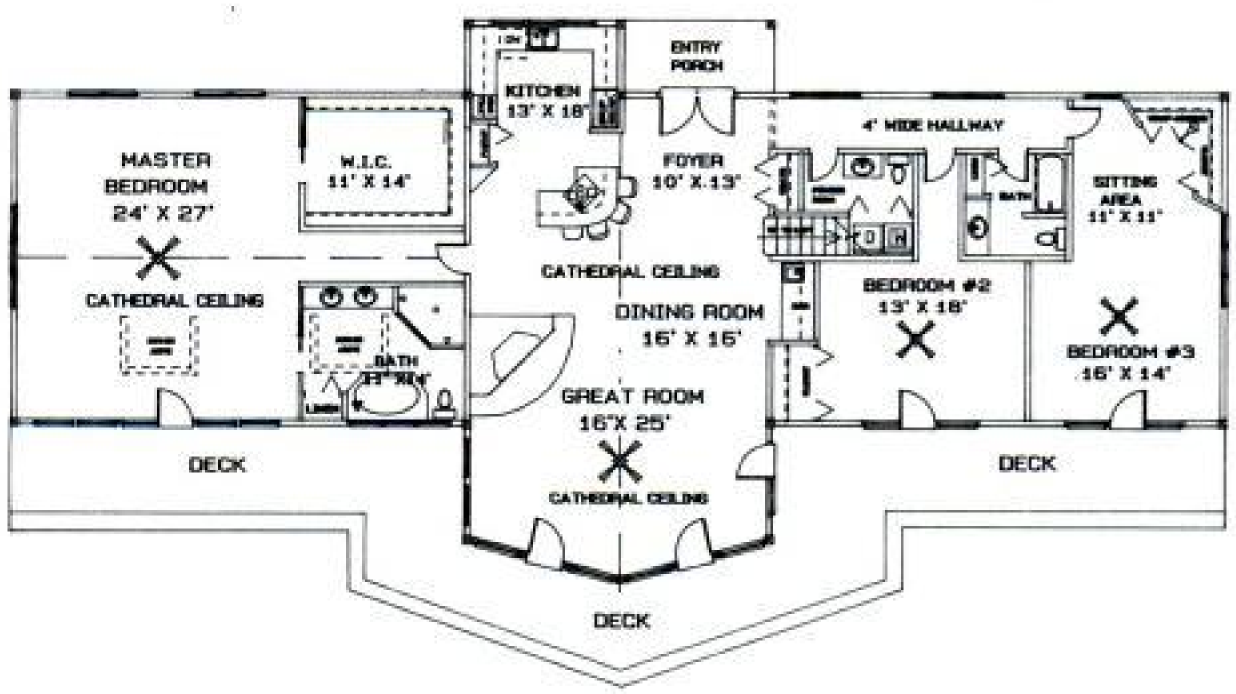




This picturesque model has been built for several of Nascar's finest. It features exposed timbers throughout, including the cathedral ceilings in the large master suite and central living area. Cedar logs and a fabulous floorplan make this a showcase home. Visit more than 20 log homes on our driving tour.

The Santee River

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 3,600
Package Price: $81,900



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Our newest model, the Bradshaw has a spacious floorplan, yet retains the cozy atmosphere traditionally associated with log homes. Multiple porches provide casual and private outdoor gathering areas. Rustic elegance with tremendous curb appeal.

The Bradshaw
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,058
Package Price: $72,000



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If you are interested in an open, inviting floorplan, the Old Plank is designed for you. The large kitchen, living room with vaulted ceilings and dining area surrounded by bay windows flow together giving this plan its open feel. A stone and copper double-sided fireplace rests between the master bedroom and bath.

The Old Plank
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,861
Package Price: $89,000



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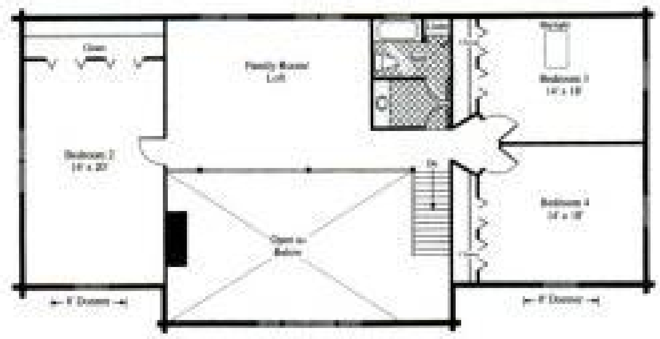
The oversized great room with its vaulted, heavy-timber roof features the dramatic second-floor loft for family activities or cozy conversation. All of the bedrooms are amply sized with plenty of room for large closets. The huge two-car garage is stylishly incorporated into this very inviting floorplan.

The Eisenhower

Bedrooms: 4 to 5
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 3,112 plus garage
Package Price: $76,000 to $97,000



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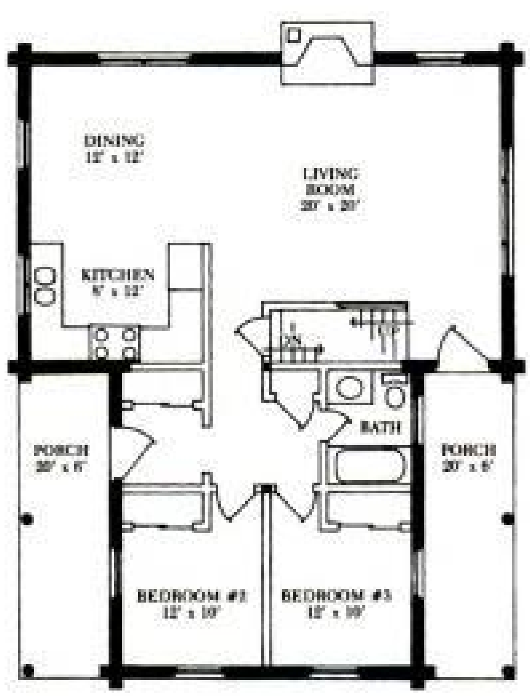
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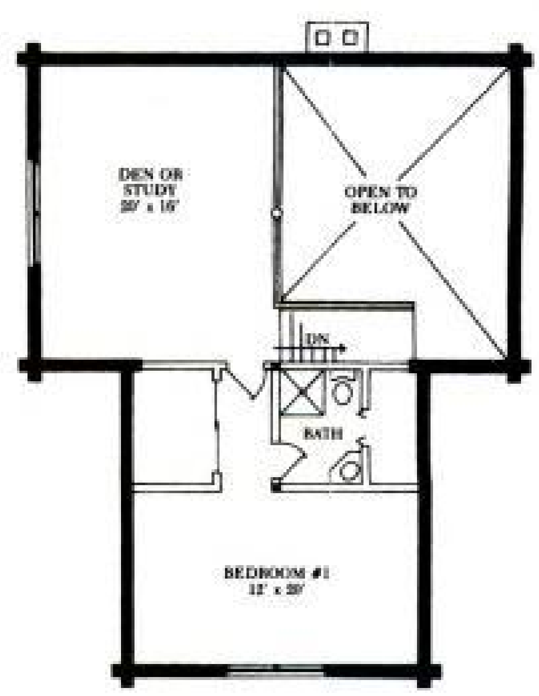
This T-shaped design is so versatile that it's perfect for anyone. The Johnson features a log rafter cathedral ceiling area in the living room and open loft sitting room above the dining area. The matching front and back porches provide an inviting welcome home. Learn more about The Johnson in our full-color catalog.

The Johnson

Bedrooms: 3 to 4
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,760
Package Price: $49,000 to $61,000



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Coventry Log Homes



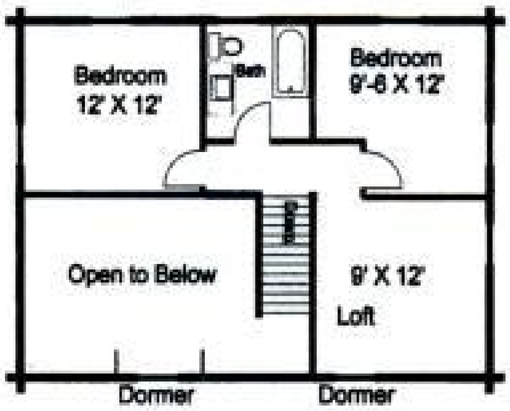
The Fairfield is truly an excellent design. It features three bedrooms, two baths, a front porch and a large, open living area. With front gables and a full shed dormer in the back, you get the most space for your money. Call to ask about our shipping special.

Fairfield

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,296
Package Price:
$24,255 (log wall package)
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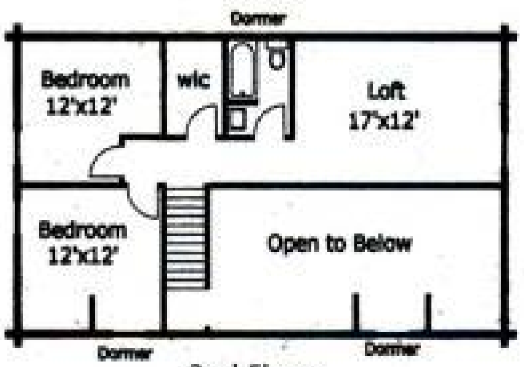
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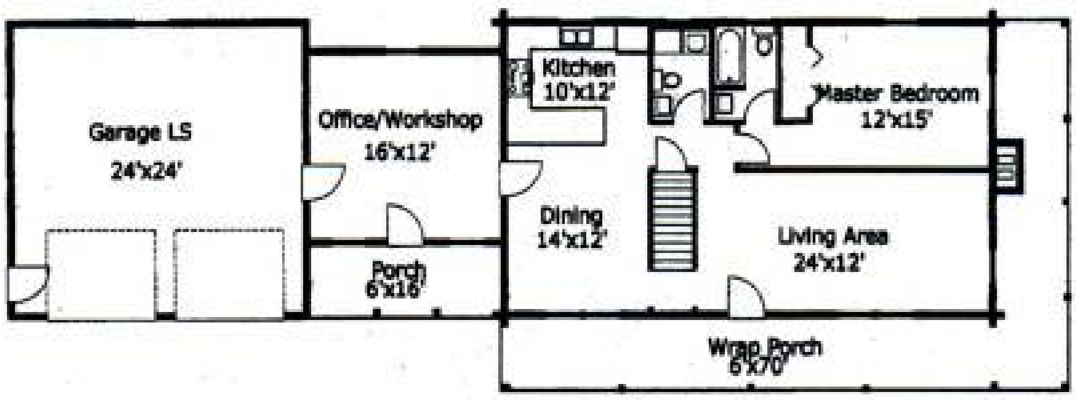
The Homestead is one of many nice designs you will find in Coventry's plansbook. It features main-floor living, an office/workshop space and a two-car garage. All this is at a very affordable price. Call to ask about our shipping special.

Homestead

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,464
Package Price:
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$72,345 (complete package)



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The Lenoir plan features a centrally located great room and living area. The master bedroom suite includes two walk-in closets, a full bath and access to the sunroom. The kitchen and morning room offer plenty of room for entertaining. Upstairs holds an additional one to two bedrooms, a full bath and a balcony overlooking the great room below.

The Lenoir

Bedrooms: 3 to 4
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 3,203
Package Price: Call for prices

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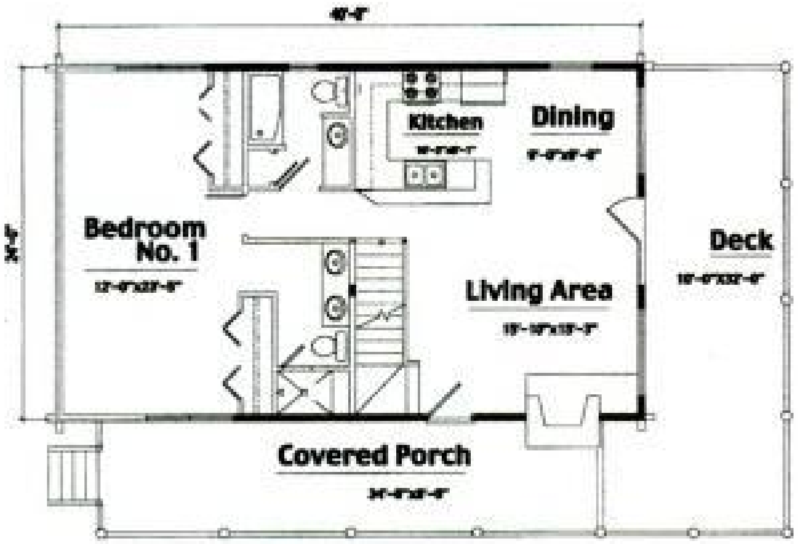
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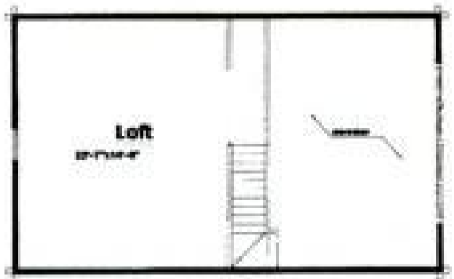
Just what you've been looking for–a well laid out, smaller floorplan. A daylight basement is a great addition to this plan if more bedrooms are what you need. The loft makes a great home office or library, while the front porch and deck offer the perfect perch to enjoy the outdoors.

The Falls at Upper Pond

Bedrooms: 1
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,267
Package Prices: $50,000 to $64,000



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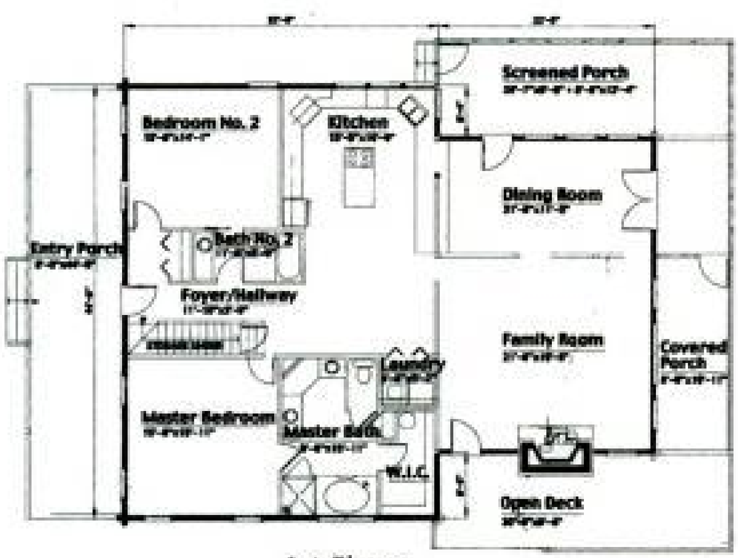
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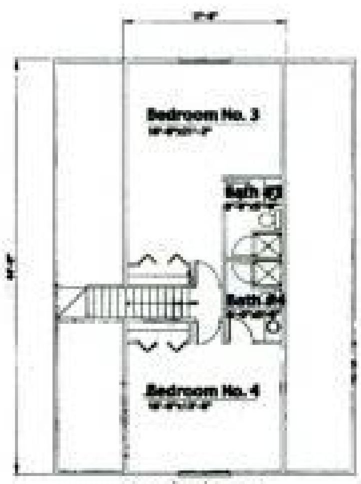
This wonderful foyer welcomes you into the perfect floorplan. Relax in this homey, yet generously sized combination kitchen, dining and family room with cathedral ceilings and a heavy timber roof system. All four bedrooms are roomy and feature private baths. Enjoy a good book in your easy chair out on this spacious porch.

The Welcome Home

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 4
Square Footage: 2,883
Package Prices: $95,000 to $115,000



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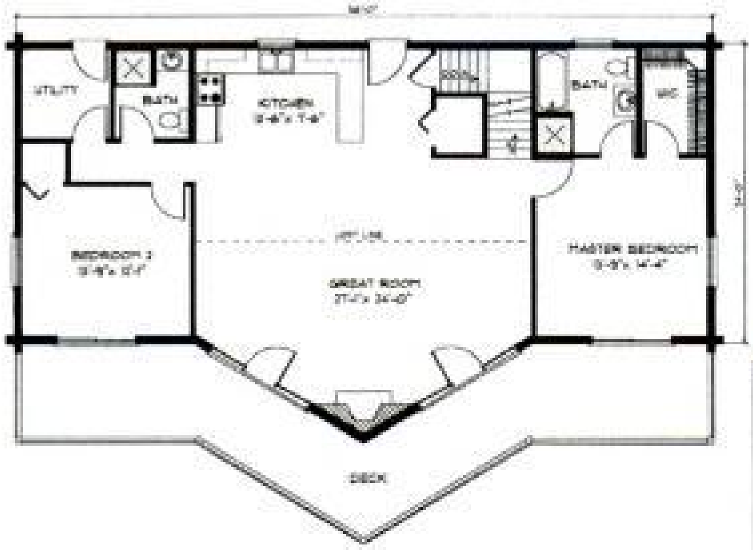
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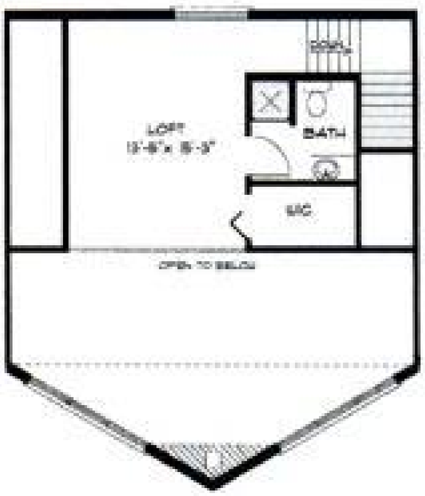


If your property has a view, the Eagle Prow 5 is for you. With four patio doors on the first floor, one in each bedroom and two in the great room, you will always see what nature has to offer. This plan offers many options to fit your needs.

Eagle Prow 5
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 1,776
Package Price: $189,000 to $229,000 (turnkey package)



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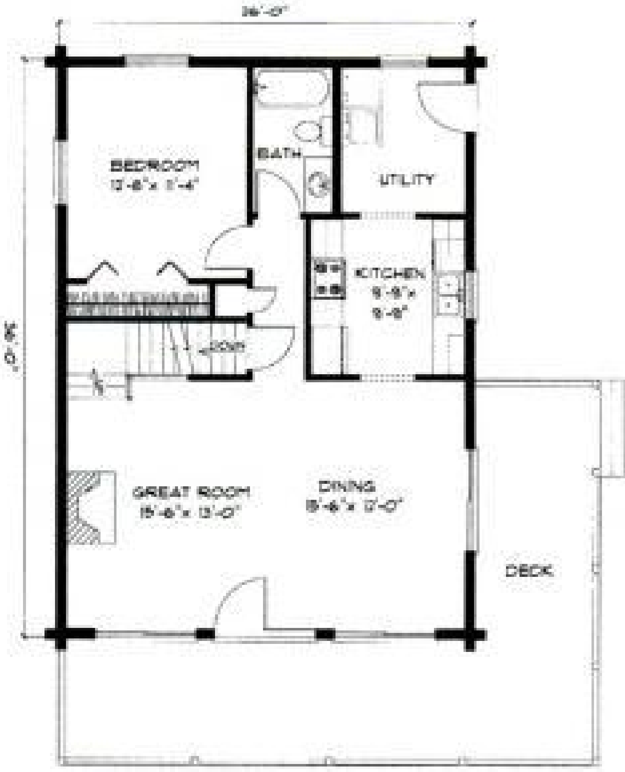
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Golden Eagle Log Homes



The Pine View is designed as a country retreat. This home has six patio doors and large glass windows in the great room gable to bring in the sunlight and the great outdoors. This 1,456-square-foot home features three bedrooms, two baths, a utility room, a great room and two balconies.

Pine View
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,456
Package Price: $149,000 to $169,000 (turnkey package)



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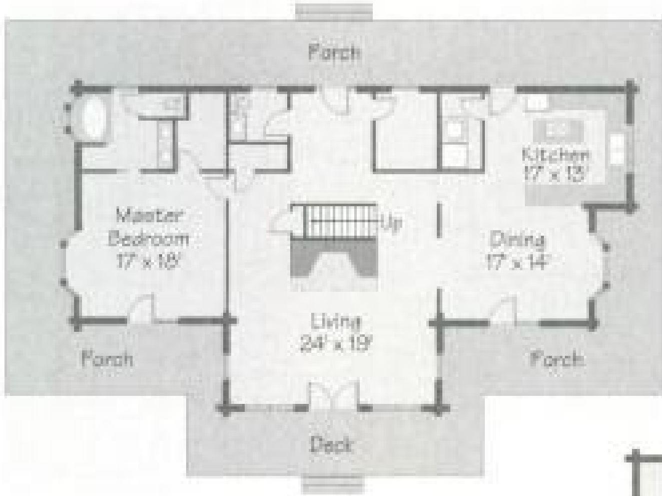
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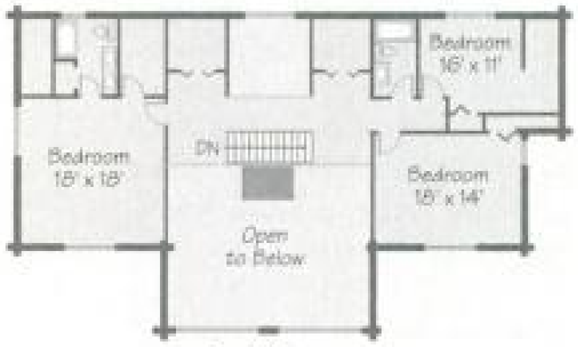
The Heritage is a magnificent log home well-suited for family living and entertaining guests. It features four spacious bedrooms, including a grand master suite. This new design includes a private office and a soaring cathedral ceiling over a large living room. Destined to become a favorite design for many growing families.

The Heritage

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 3 1/2
Square Footage: 3,462
Package Price: Call for prices



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Heritage Log Homes



Charming in its farmhouse look, The Woodlawn features a symmetrical roofline and wraparound porch. The center stairwell, well-defined entry and great room with cathedral ceiling are all deft design touches.

The Woodlawn

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,750
Package Price: Call for prices



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Holland Log & Cedar Homes



Rustic elegance describes this beautiful home. The Cascade has a glistening gable view with distinctive log pole clusters draping downward to a spacious front deck. The focal point inside this home is the central fireplace that reaches beyond the tall interior peaks of the dramatic great room.

The Cascade

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,749
Package Price: Call for prices

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Holland Log & Cedar Homes



Whether as a cottage or a year-round residence, this charming log home greets you with grace and tranquility and welcomes all who enter. This three-bedroom, two-bath home has a wonderful open floorplan.

The Golden Maple

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,491
Package Price: Call for prices

HOLLAND LOG & CEDAR HOMES



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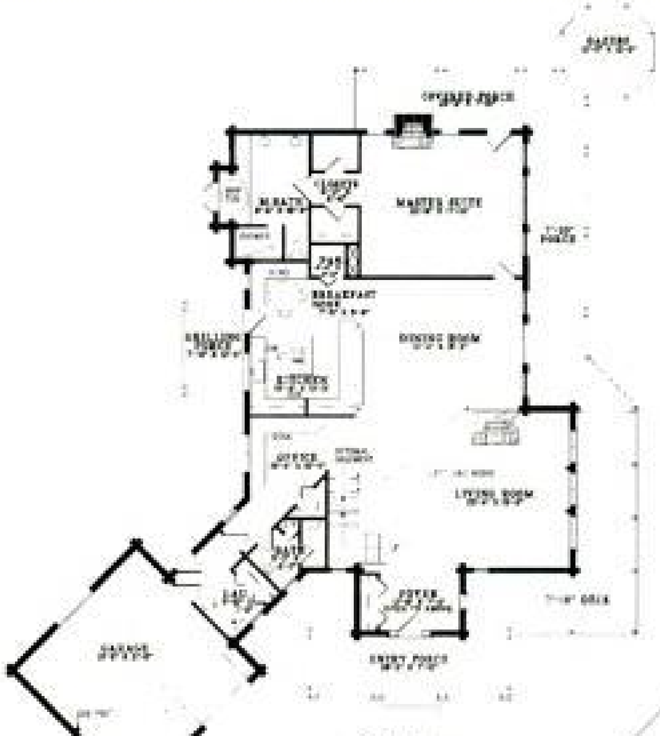
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Jim Barna Log Systems

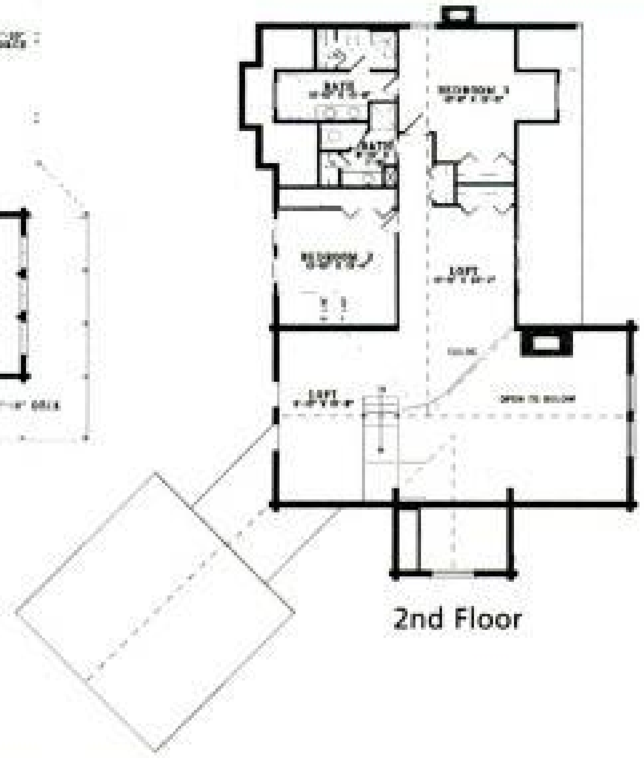


The Le Conte is a masterpiece. Imagine the family get-togethers you can have in a home with its own gazebo and grilling porch. The master suite has a fireplace to add to the cozy atmosphere. The Le Conte is a new log home design from Jim Barna Log Systems.

The Le Conte
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 4
Square Footage: 3,537
Package Price: Call for prices



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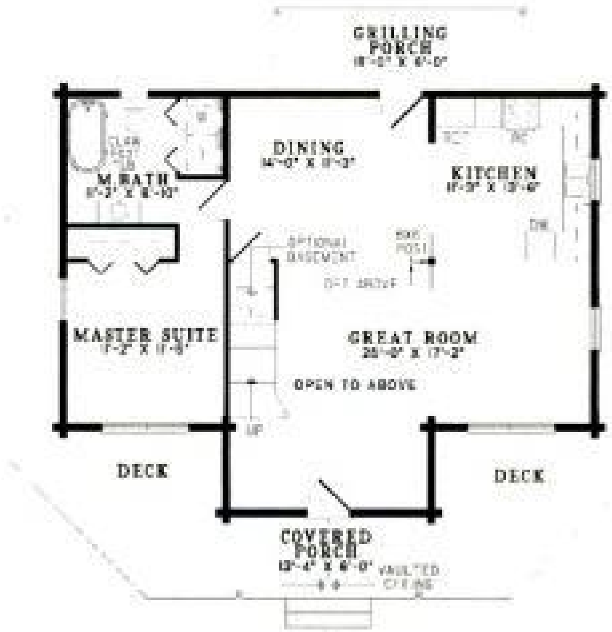
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The Olympiad II offers grand, open living spaces with a charming cottage style. A combination kitchen, dining and great room area, which leads to a grilling porch and deck, make this plan perfect for family and entertaining. A first-floor master suite and two additional bedrooms on the second level allow privacy for all.

The Olympiad II
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,665
Package Price: $26,300 to $71, 800



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Katahdin Cedar Log Homes



This beautiful Katahdin model features a large wraparound deck with a gazebo and a two-story entry porch offering spectacular views. Other unique features include a large great room with cathedral ceilings, awning windows in the breakfast nook and a second-floor loft and master bedroom.

Chateau
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,506
Package Price: Call for prices



1st Floor



2nd Floor

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Katahdin Cedar Log Homes

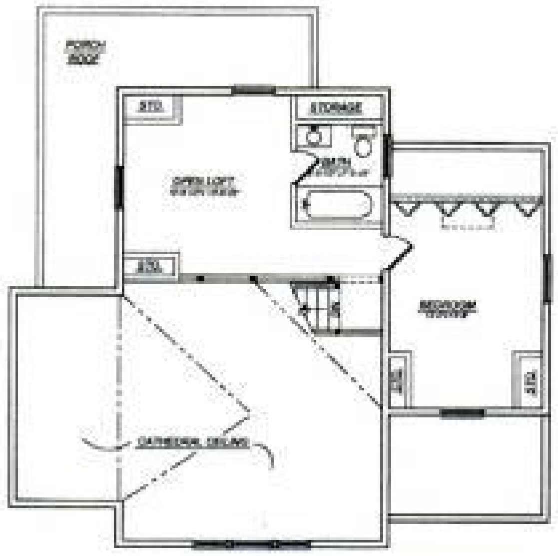


The charming Sebec model offers a cozy front porch and large wraparound porch in the rear. Other amenities include a living room with large windows and a cathedral ceiling, allowing the room to fill with sunshine. The second floor features a loft and second bedroom with a full bath.

Sebec
Bedrooms: 2
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,504
Package Price: Call for prices



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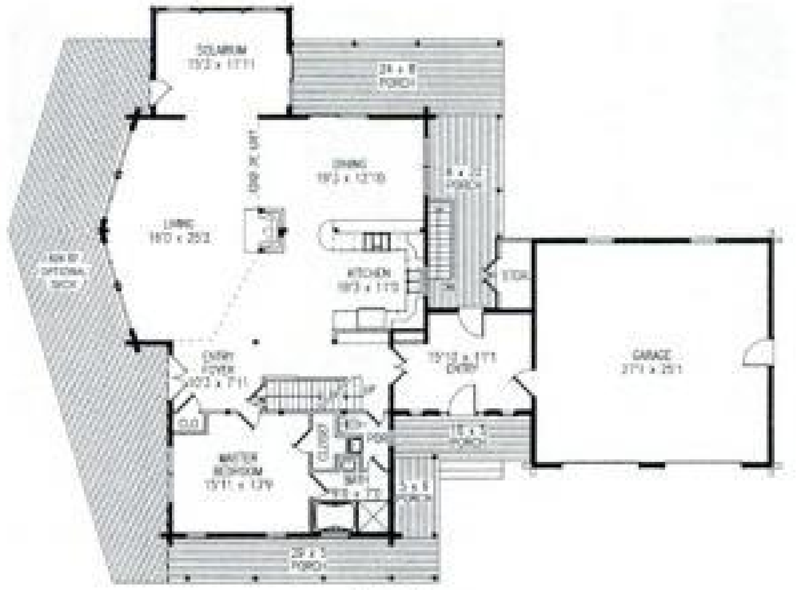
Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original



Enjoy the best of both worlds, the open feel of a chalet and the sensibility of a two-story home. The Lake George has it all including two roomy second-floor bedrooms, a large great room complete with a prow front, a two-car garage and attached solarium. You'll feel right at home.

Lake George
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,938
(excluding garage)
Package Price: Call for prices

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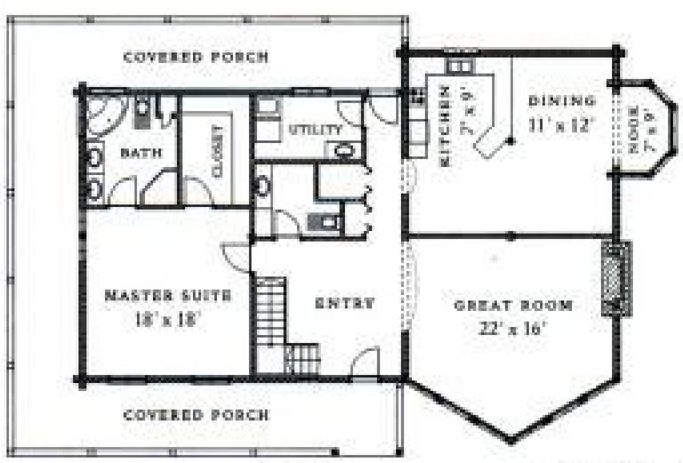
Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original



Enjoy the views from the spacious great room or just relax in the expansive kitchen area. The Lakeside 3 has an impressive master suite on the main level with two large bedrooms and a loft upstairs. The full wraparound deck adds the finishing touch to this plan.

Lakeside 3
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 3,400
Package Price: Call for prices

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Logs UP Log Homes LLC



The Lakewood includes three bedrooms and two baths plus a kitchen, dining and great room area highlighted by cathedral ceilings, a fireplace and lots of windows. This special-value log home package features kiln-dried logs.

Lakewood

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,194
Package Price: Call for prices



1st Floor



2nd Floor

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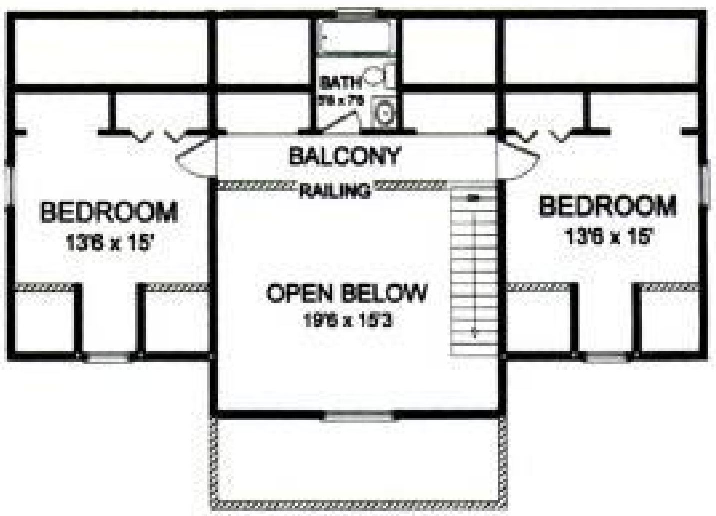
This flexible floorplan features three bedrooms, two-and-a-half baths and a large family gathering area. The vaulted great room is centrally located in this plan giving access to the second-level bedrooms and a comfortable flow throughout. The Silver Creek is available in full- or half-log wall systems.

Silver Creek

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 1,766
Package Price: Call for prices



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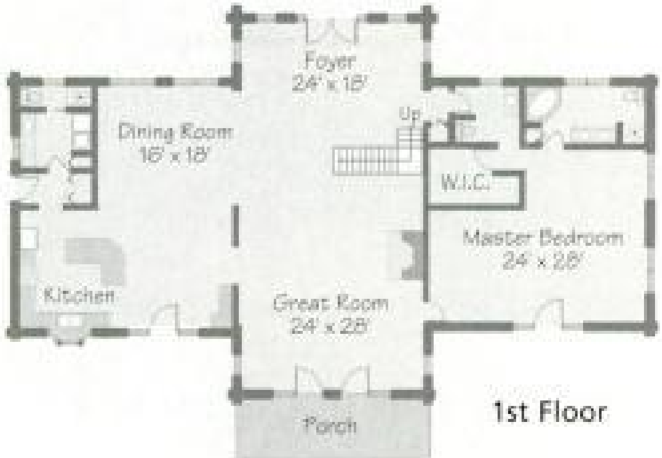
Lok-N-Logs Inc.



The four-gabled Oxford offers a sunken great room with patio doors that extend the living area into a three-sided porch. This plan features an expansive kitchen-dining area, extended living via a second-floor family room and loft-style bedrooms, all with private covered outdoor balconies. The first-floor master bedroom enjoys multiple views.

The Oxford

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 3 1/2
Square Footage: 4,448
Package Price: Call for prices



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Lok-N-Logs Inc.



It's easy to understand why Lok-N-Logs' Sierra, with its 1,844 square feet of dramatic living space, has become a sought-after design. Featuring three bedrooms, a cathedral ceiling over the great room area, a pleasing second-floor loft and triple swing patio doors, the Sierra is rapidly rising to the top of Lok-N-Logs' charts.

The Sierra

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,844
Package Price: Call for prices



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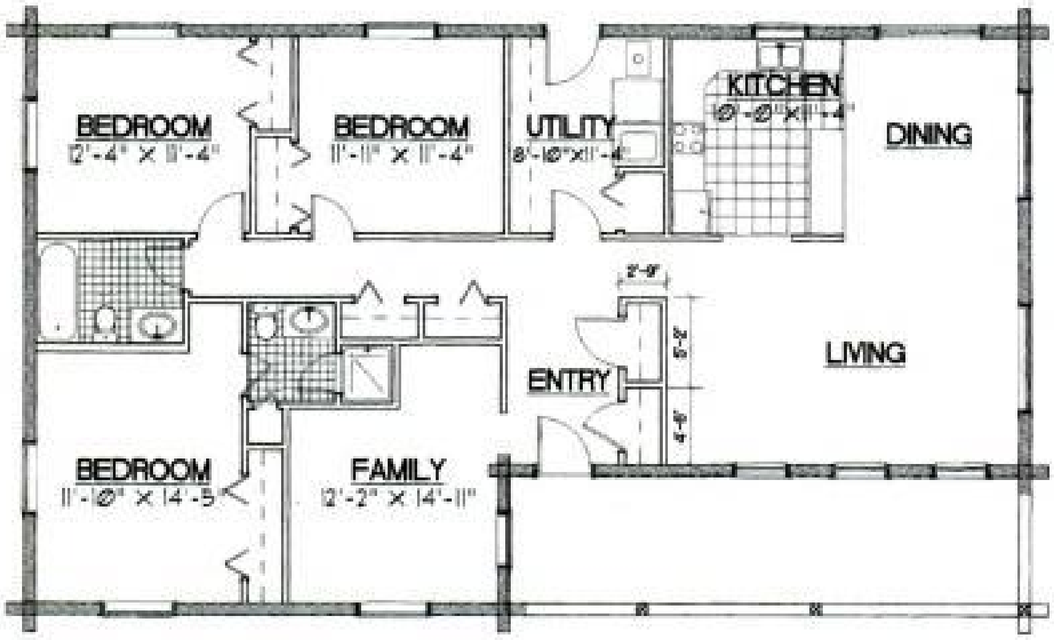
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Lumberjack Log Homes



This practical and efficient three-bedroom, two-bathroom, ranch-style log home features a convenient kitchen/dining/living area combination as well as a cozy family room off the main entryway. You'll fall in love with the charming country porch that naturally lends itself to rocking chairs and summer evenings. Call us for more information.

The Sweetgrass
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,732
Package Price: Call for prices



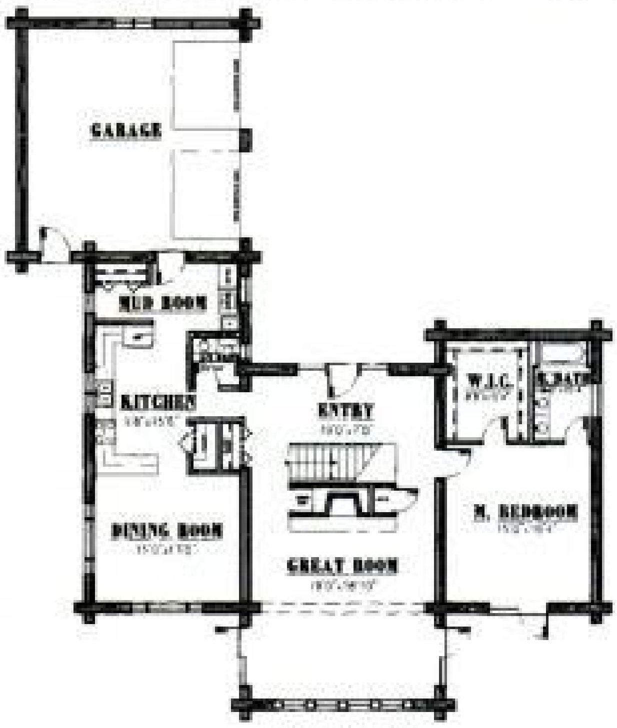
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Lumberjack Log Homes

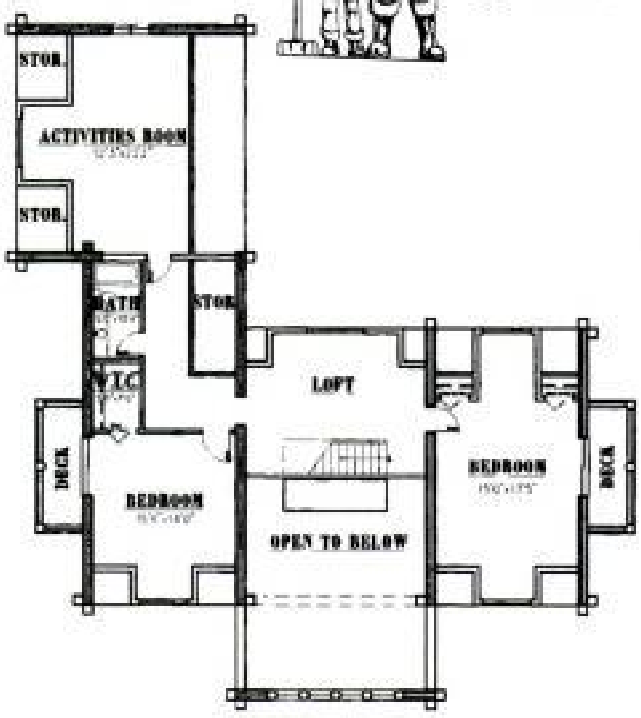


This impressive home offers sophistication along with a charming rustic appeal. Interior log walls, open spaces and beautiful gable dormers give this log home a wonderful blend of elegance and country style. With two large bedrooms upstairs and a master suite on the main level, there's sure to be enough room for everyone.

The Teton
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 3,313
(excluding garage)
Package Price: Call for prices



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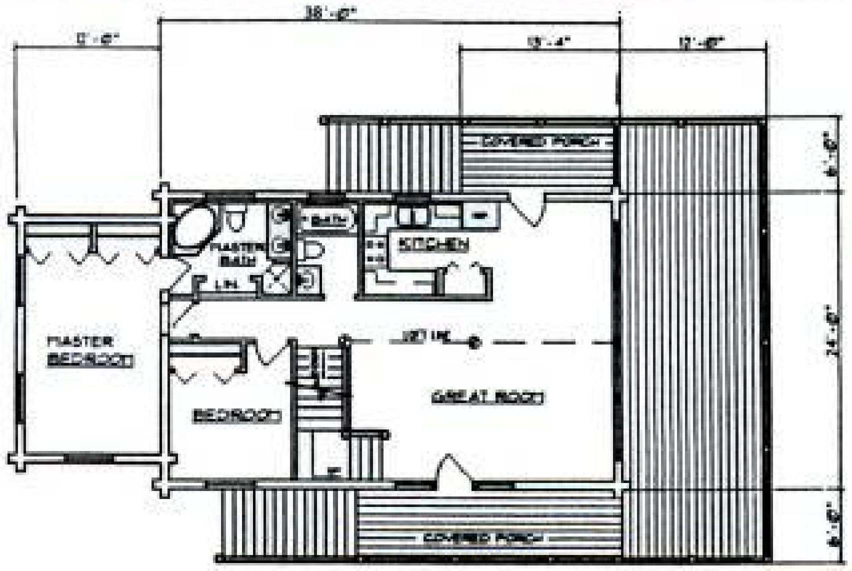
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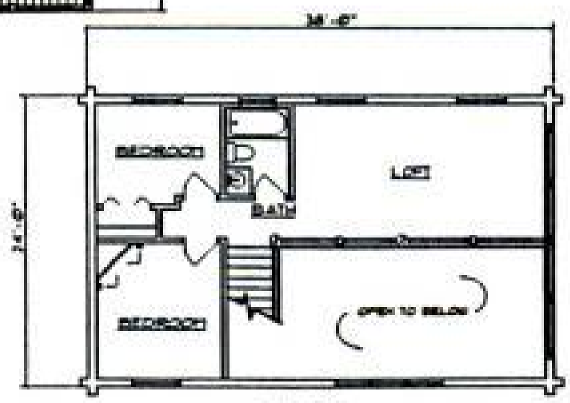
The Canyon View offers 1,780 square feet of living space, four bedrooms, a spacious wraparound deck and covered porch and an optional three-car garage in the basement. The size of the home and the floorplan may be altered to fit your needs at no additional cost.

Canyon View

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 1,780
Package Prices: Call for prices



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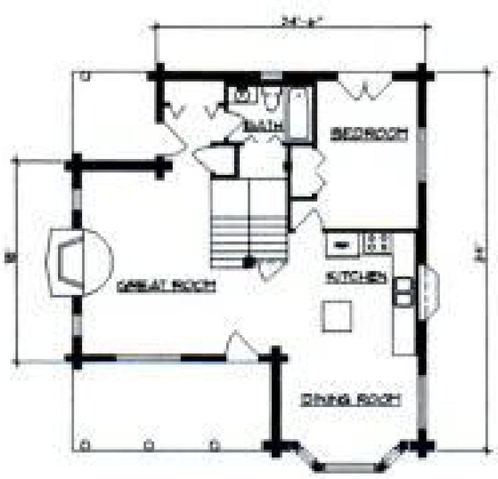
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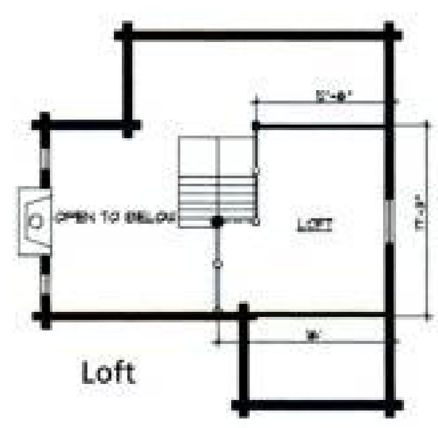
This great little home gets everyone's attention. The Great Salt Lake can be modified to fit your needs at no additional charge.

Great Salt Lake

Bedrooms: 1
Baths: 1
Square Footage: 1,120
Package Prices: Call for prices



1st Floor



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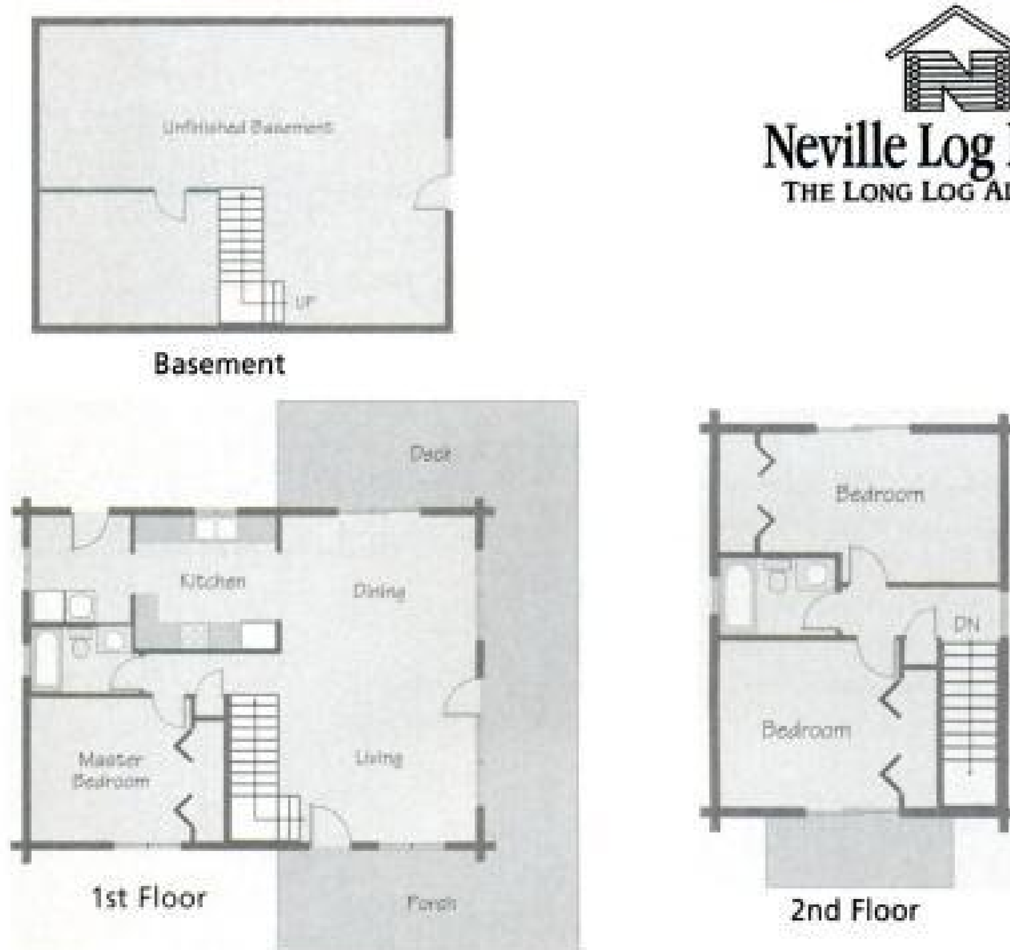
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Neville Log Homes



This three-bedroom home is both stylish and practical at an affordable price. There are two upstairs bedrooms, one with a balcony. The living and dining areas share a vaulted ceiling. Beautiful windows run from the roof to the floor, and a large deck surrounds the front of the house.

East Fork
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,416
(plus basement)
Package Price: Call for prices



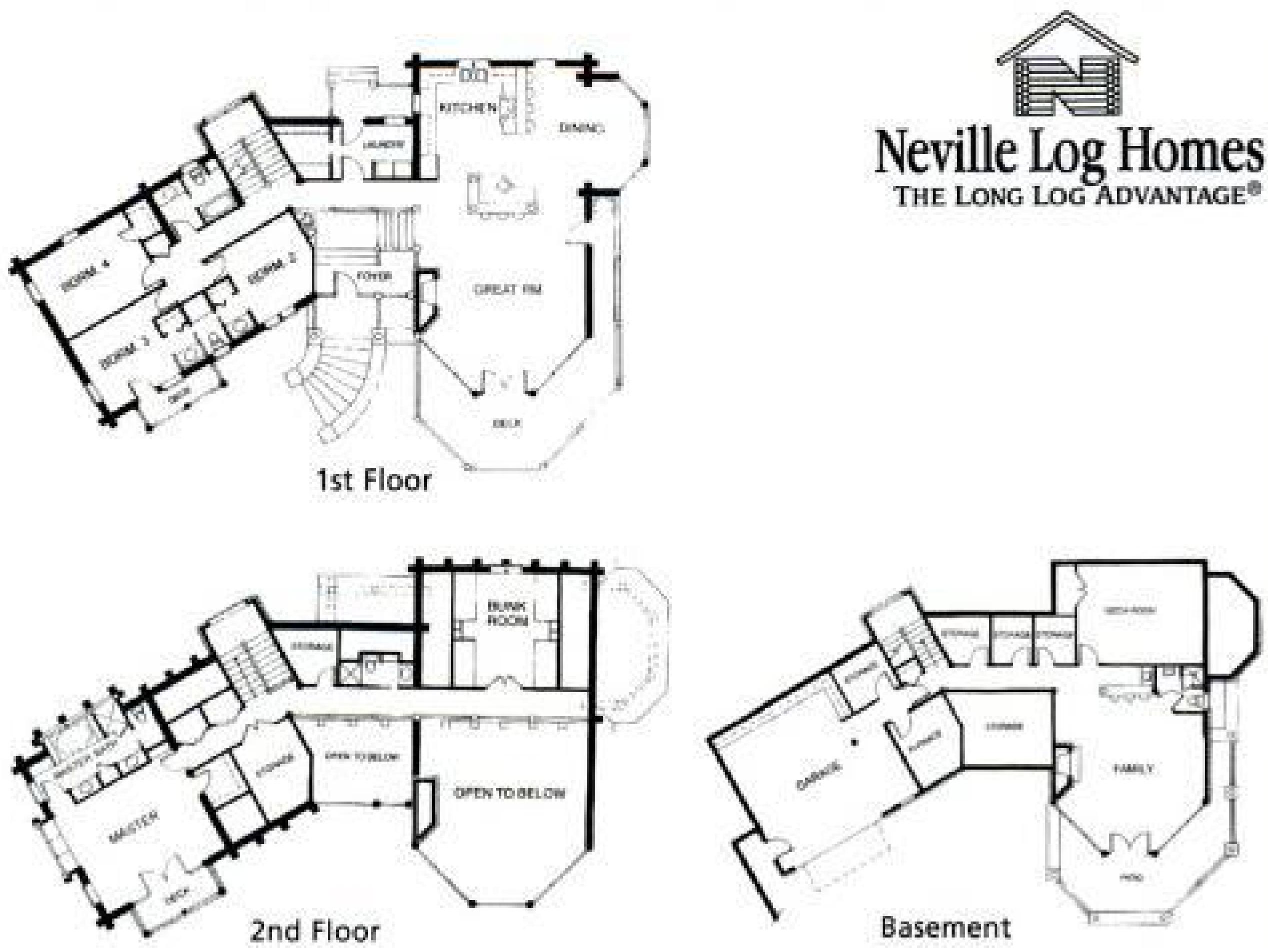
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Neville Log Homes



This spacious, three-level home combines contemporary styling with a rustic feel. The main floor has three bedrooms, a kitchen-dining area, laundry facilities and a great room. Upstairs features a bunk room, a bathroom and a storage area. At the lower level, you will find a huge family room, a media room, a full bath, a wet bar and a two-story fireplace.

Telluride
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 3 1/2
Square Footage: 5,209
Package Price: Call for prices



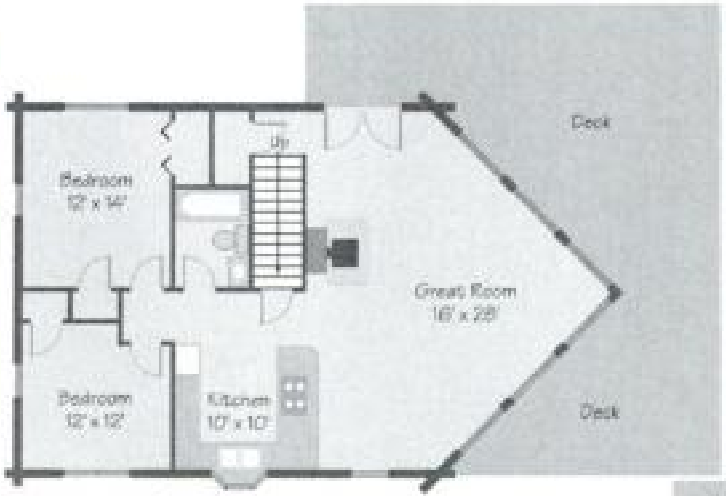
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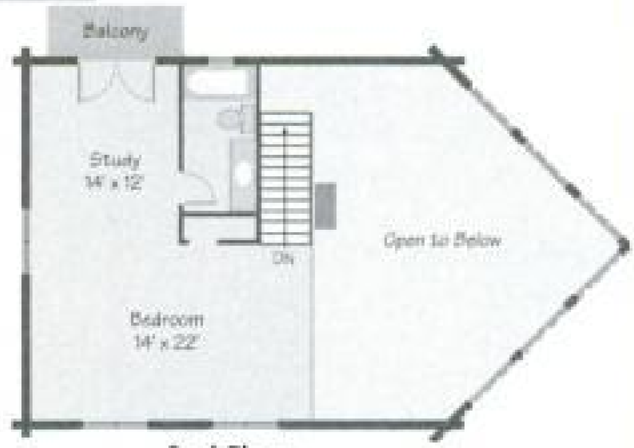
The River's Edge model features a glass prow front that makes an ordinary chalet extraordinary. A large great room off the kitchen takes full advantage of space in the living area. A huge cedar deck is ideal for outdoor entertaining or a family cookout.

The River's Edge
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,728
Package Price: Call for prices



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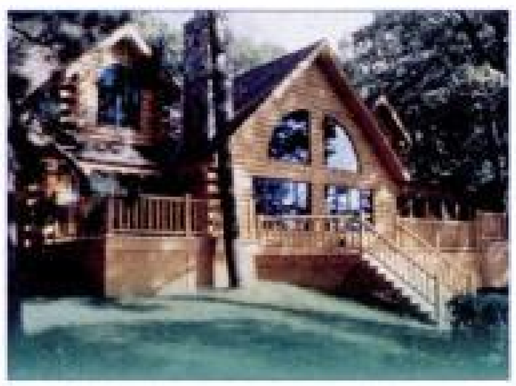
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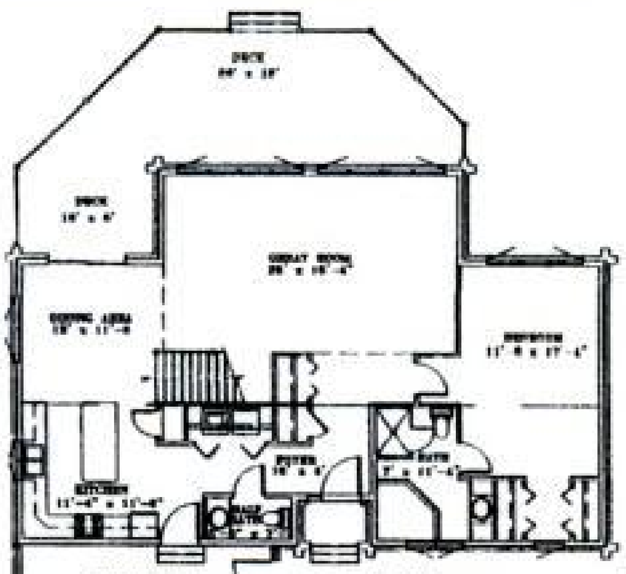
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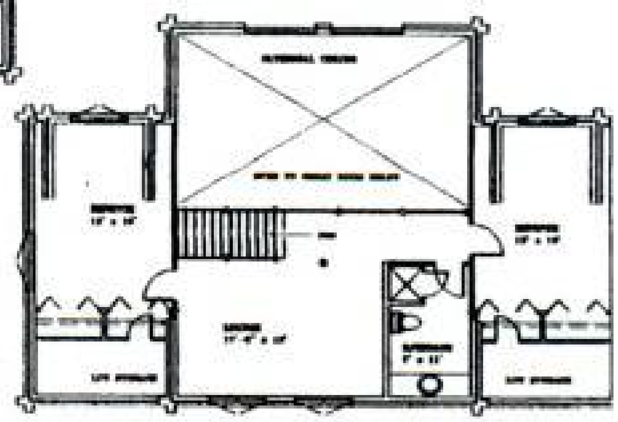
A scaled-down version of the Bridgewater, The Sherwood boasts more than 2,300 square feet. This spacious design offers an open kitchen and dining area that flows into the picturesque great room. This three-bedroom home also has an open loft area, perfect as an office or computer room.

The Sherwood
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,360
Package Price: Call for prices



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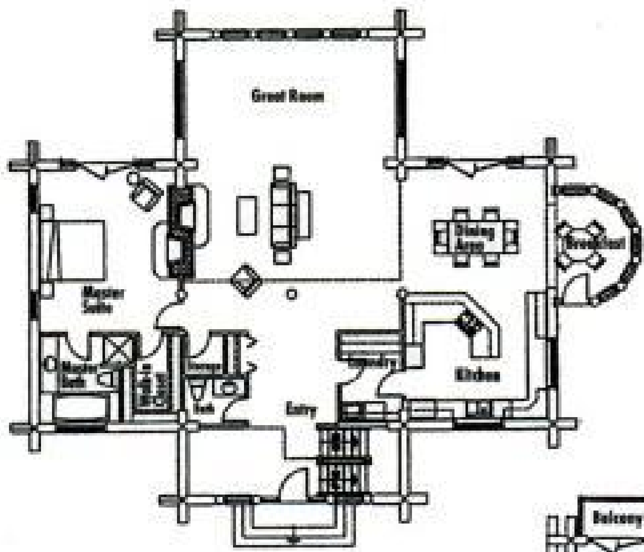
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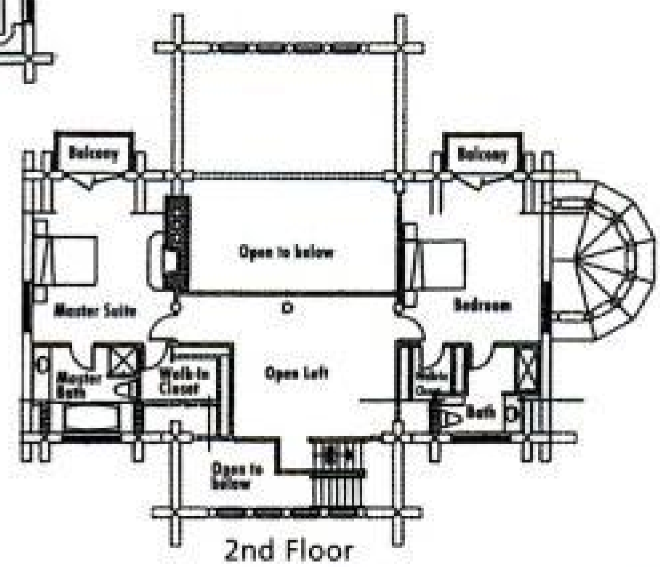


The Spanish Fork is a beautiful combination of traditional log home and contemporary styling. With its dramatic entry, elegant log staircase and octagonal breakfast nook, the Spanish Fork is at the forefront of log home design.

Spanish Fork
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3 1/2
Square Footage: 3,470
Package Price: Call for prices



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2nd Floor

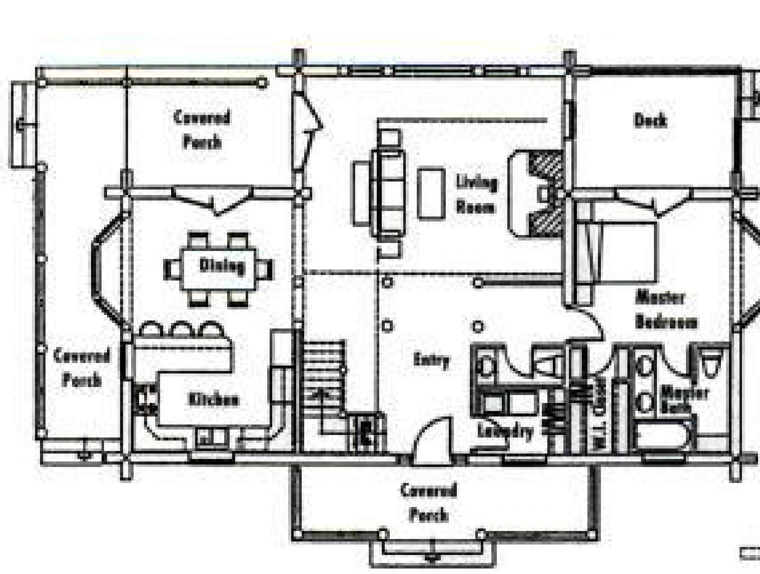
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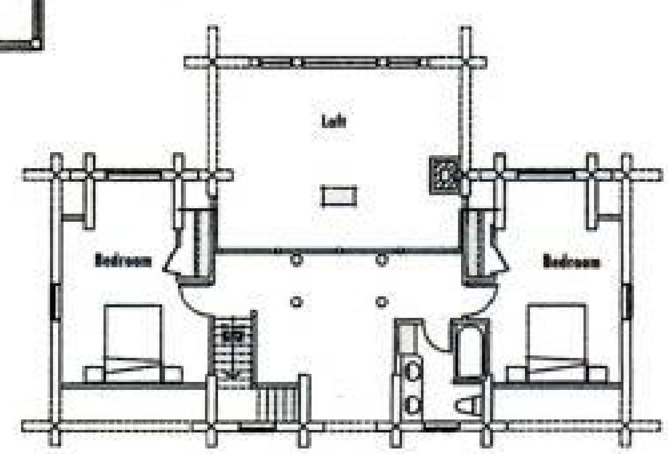


The Walnut Canyon warmly greets you with a covered porch and great living room columns. Dine outside on the partial wraparound porch off the kitchen and dining room. We added two bedrooms upstairs, accommodating your family and guests. Call us to request a complete catalog with 172 pages of full-color photographs and 26 floorplans.

Walnut Canyon
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,257
Package Price: Call for prices



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2nd Floor

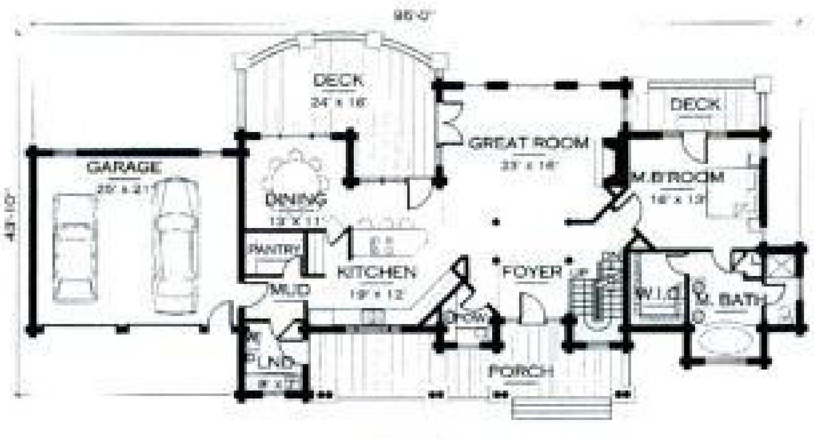
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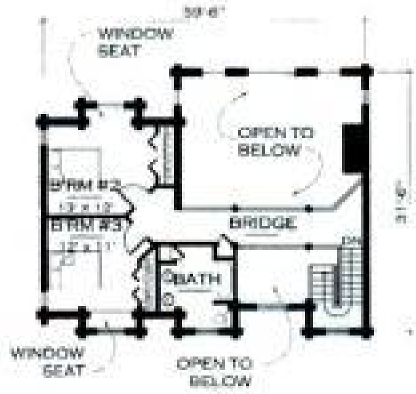


The graceful design of this home allows the Rivermyst to appear much larger than it is. A soaring foyer and great room, two bedrooms upstairs, a first-floor master bedroom, two-and-a-half baths, a kitchen and dining area create an inviting environment.

Rivermyst
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 2,500
Package Price: $180,000 to $220,000



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Tennessee Log Homes



Elegant, sophisticated and inviting describe the Streamer. With a soaring great room, kitchen and dining combination, it's perfect for family or entertaining. This home offers three large bedrooms, three baths, a powder room plus a roomy loft and study for private relaxation. The exterior architectural features provide the Streamer with a tastefully cozy look from all around.

Streamer
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 3,800
Package Price: $250,000 to $300,000



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Teton Peaks Log Homes Inc.



This cozy home is a perfect weekend getaway with a large loft for plenty of extra sleeping bags. It's also a great starter home with great views and open beam ceilings.

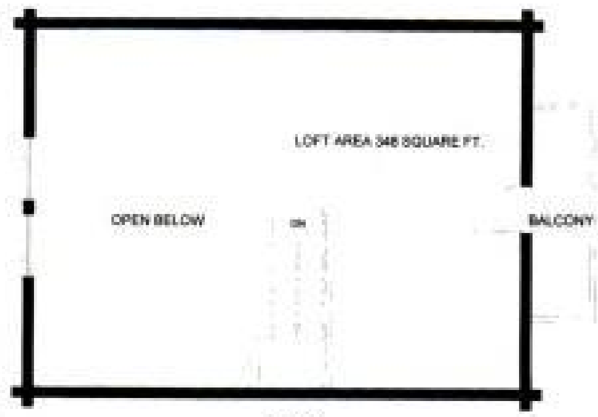
Jenny Lake

Bedrooms: 2 to 3
Baths: 1
Square Footage: 1,000 to 1,800
Package Price: $16,500 to $33,000

Teton Peaks Log Homes



1st Floor



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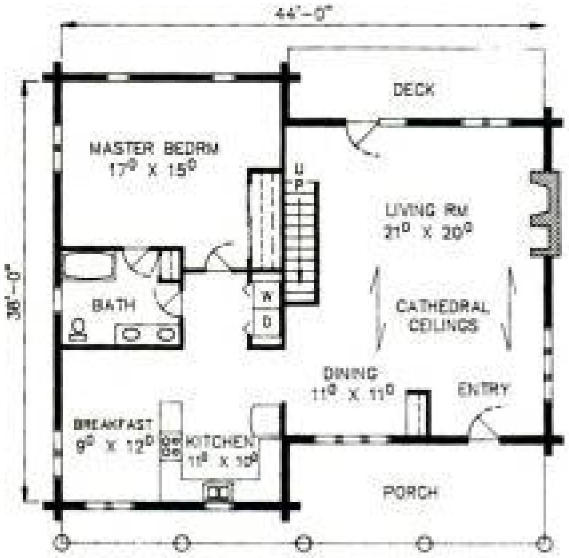


The traditional, appealing exterior of this home surrounds a spacious interior. Two upstairs bedrooms make space for a growing family, while the first-floor master bedroom provides convenience down below.

Mount Moran

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,200
Package Price: $28,600 to $74,800

Teton Peaks Log Homes



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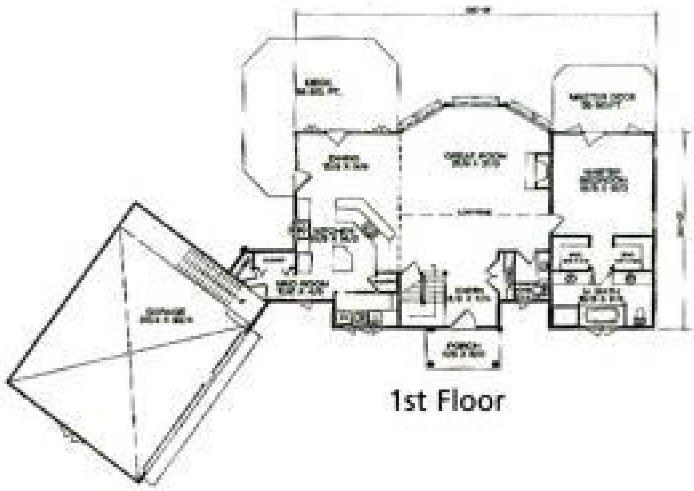
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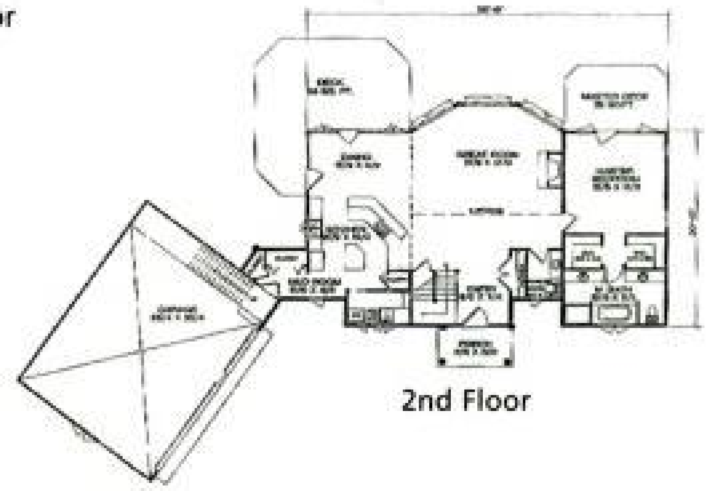
The Glenwood is classic log architecture with a welcome-home feel. The great room is the centerpiece with massive log structural members framing a cathedral of glass to the view side of this unique home. There are several plan and design variations available. Log Homes Council model of the year award. Plan & Home copyright 1999.

Glenwood

Bedrooms: 3 to 4
Baths: 2 to 4
Square Footage: 1,608 to 3,400
Package Price: Call for prices



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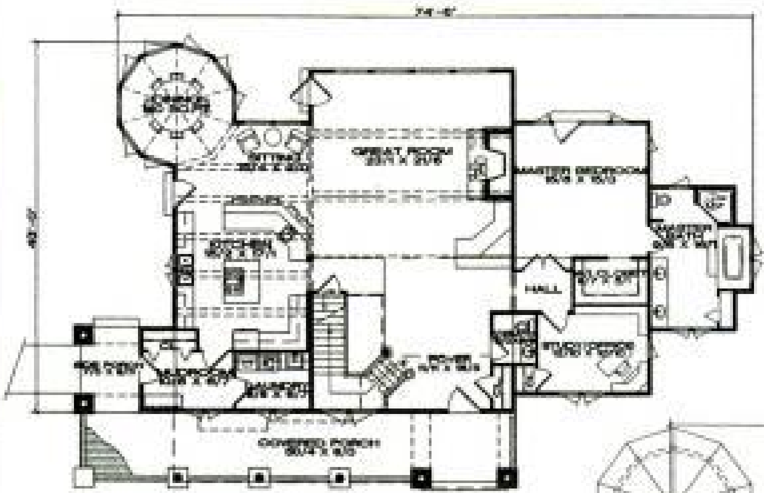
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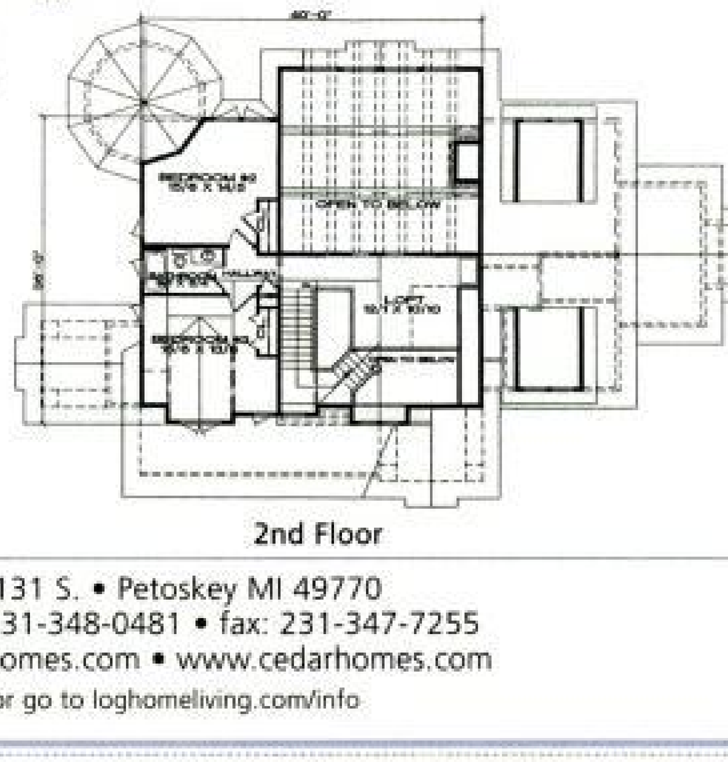
This model home is available for viewing at the Petoskey, Michigan, headquarters. It has a radial bay dining area, our latest lodge log profile exterior, two huge king post trusses framing the great room, a custom carved mantel and many other unique components. Log Homes Council model of the year award. Plan & Home copyright 1999.

Preserve

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 3,100
Package Price: Call for prices



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2nd Floor

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True North Log Homes Inc.



This large bungalow features a central great room with cathedral ceilings and expansive windows to allow full enjoyment of any view. A well-proportioned master bedroom shares the view, while boasting an ensuite bathroom and walk-in closet. Additional bedrooms can be planned for the daylight basement.

The Castlerock

Bedrooms: 1
Baths: 1 1/2
Square Footage: 3,106
Package Price: Call for prices



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True North Log Homes Inc.



The vaulted roofline of this home allows for a bedroom loft with some storage space. The master bedroom wing includes the main entrance. A large washroom off the kitchen has room for a shower and a whirlpool bath.

The MacKenzie

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,668
Package Price: Call for prices



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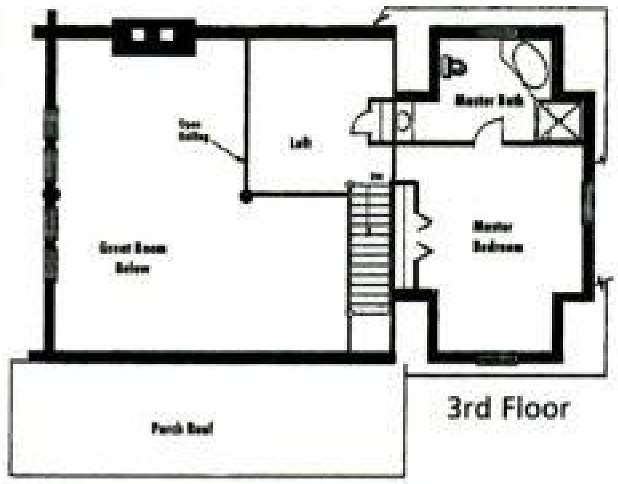
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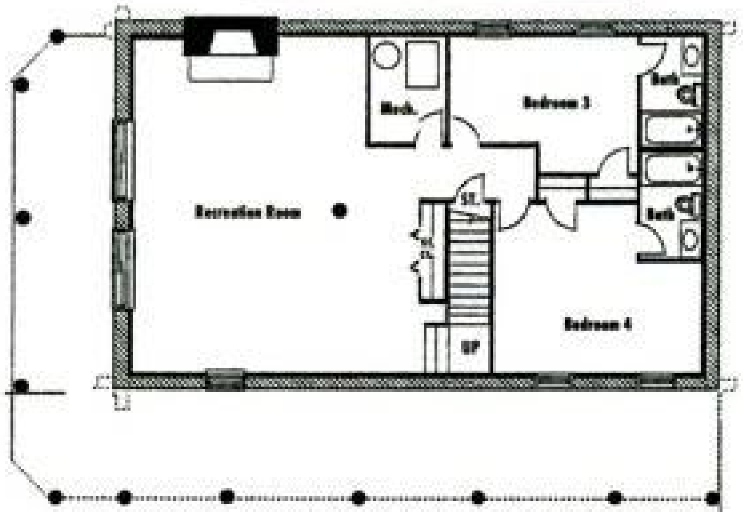
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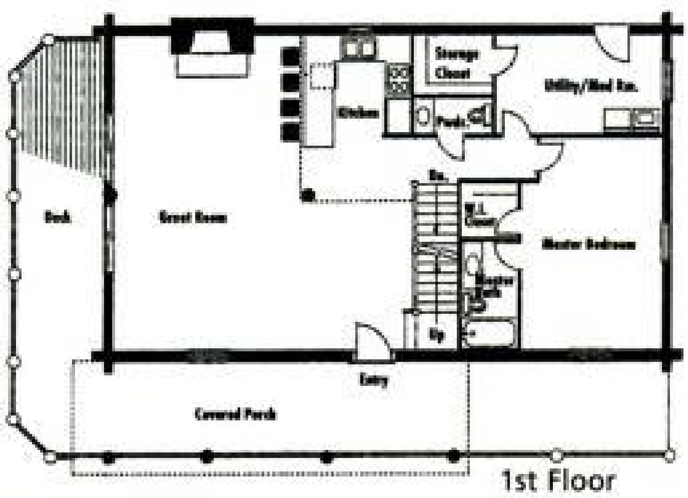


2nd Floor

This stunning home offers a massive great room that flows into an open kitchen and dining room. Complemented by four master suites, the Mountain Chalet is the perfect full-time home or vacation getaway.

Mountain Chalet

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 4 1/2
Square Footage: 3,250
Package Price: Call for prices



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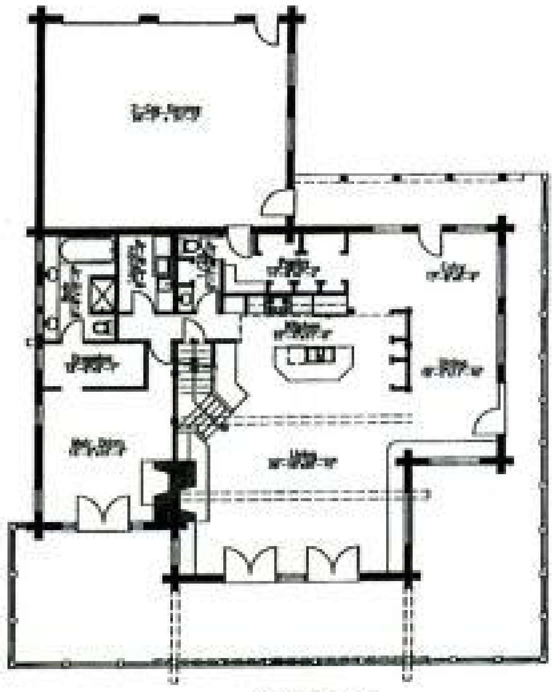
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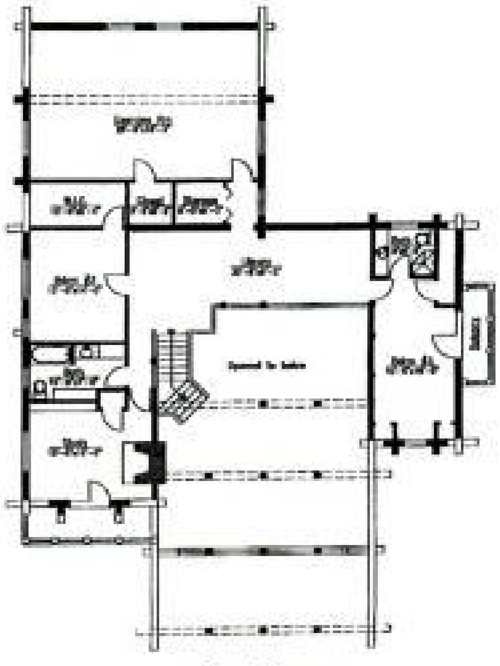
Located near Big Sky, Montana, this beautiful home boasts approximately 2,600 square feet. With a combined living, dining and kitchen area, this is the ideal home for entertaining guests. The glassed-in log truss gable provides an awesome view, while a wraparound deck offers the perfect place to sit and enjoy the outdoors.

The River View

Bedrooms: 3 or 4
Baths: 3 1/2
Square Footage: 2,600
Package Price: Call for prices



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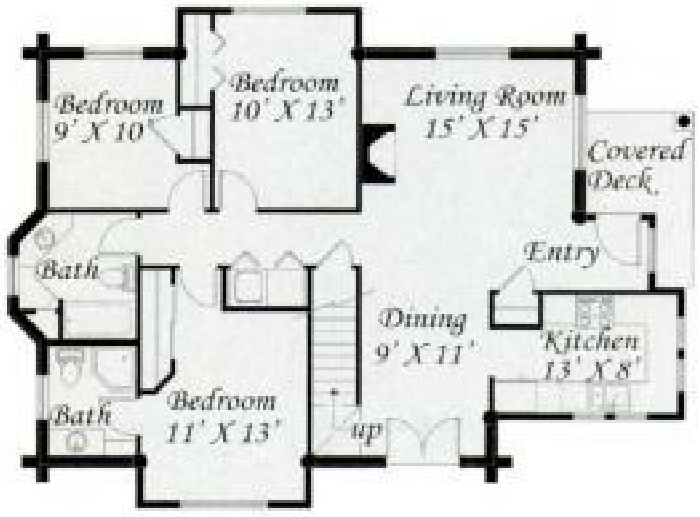
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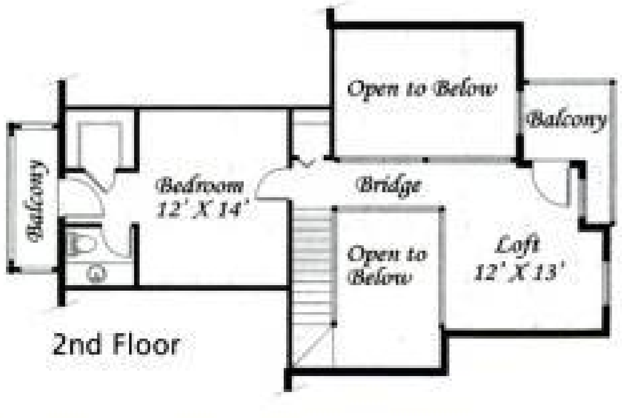
Outside, bold contemporary styling blends with Old World-style architecture to create a unique facade of wood, stucco and stone. Inside the crafted touches of this four-bedroom home make this plan one-of-a-kind.

The Huntington

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 1,590
Package Price: $30,899



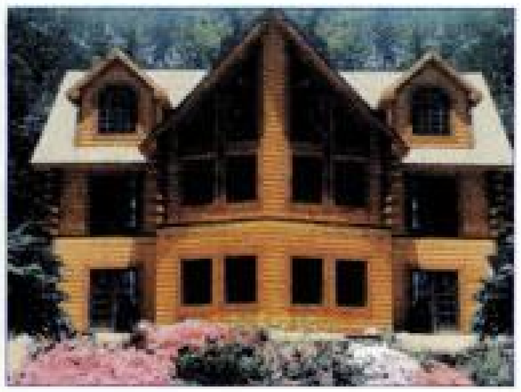
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Boone Log Homes Inc.



The Bufford Point features a stone fireplace in the loft overlooking the living room and fireplace directly below. This open concept plan has three spacious bedrooms, three bathrooms, a living room, a family room and a kitchen and dining area. Creative floorplans and hand-selected building materials are trademarks for Boone Log Homes.

Bufford Point
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,200
Package Prices: $38,900 to $63,400



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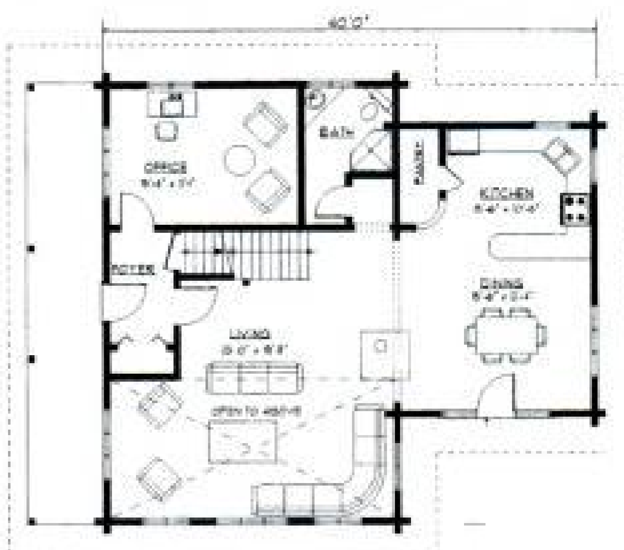
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Caledon Log Homes



The main floor of The Minden features a cathedral ceiling living room that opens into the spacious kitchen-dining area. All rooms have multiple windows guaranteeing a light-filled house from sunrise to sunset. Upstairs there are three bedrooms that share a full bathroom and a loft that overlooks the living room. Visit our new model.

The Minden
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,124
Package Prices: Call for prices



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Conestoga Log Cabins



The Mountain King is a superior value in the log cabin market. This cozy home has an efficient floorplan that ensures privacy for both bedrooms and makes a great vacation home.

Mountain King

Bedrooms: 2
Baths: 1
Square Footage: 1,080
Package Price: $32,245



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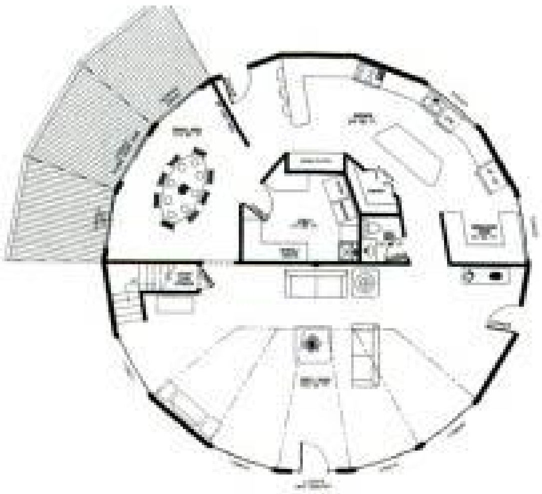
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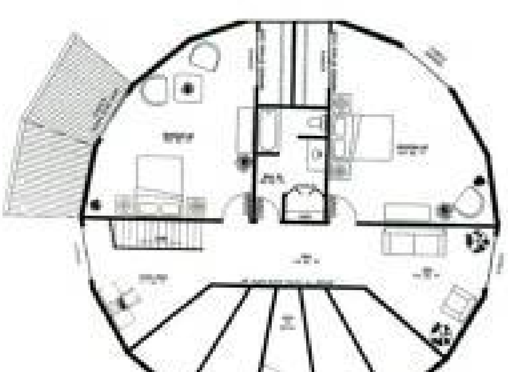
This two-story Sierra model is 1,678 square feet per level. This floorplan called for wide open spaces, large rooms and exposed beams. All Deltec homes provide for a clear-spanned roof system allowing for total interior design flexibility.

Sierra

Bedrooms: 2
Baths: 1 1/2
Square Footage: 3,356
Package Price: Call for prices



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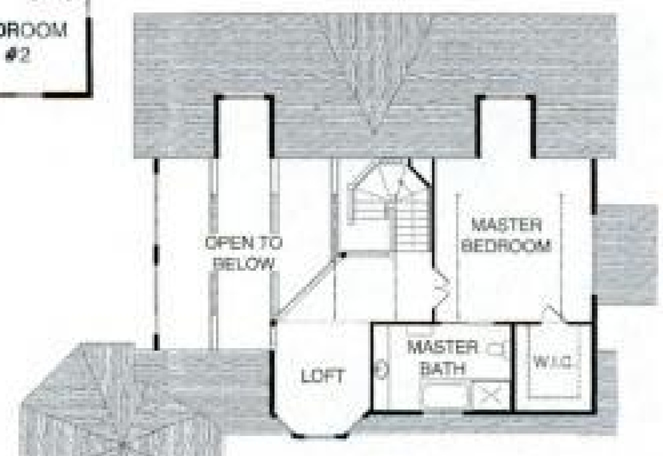


A traditional looking log cabin with a twist, the Maple Creek features an open great room, dining and kitchen center with cathedral ceilings. Enjoy a panoramic view of the great outdoors in your sunken sunroom or retreat to your loft for private reflections. This home is complete with a front porch.

Maple Creek
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,419
Package Price: Call for prices



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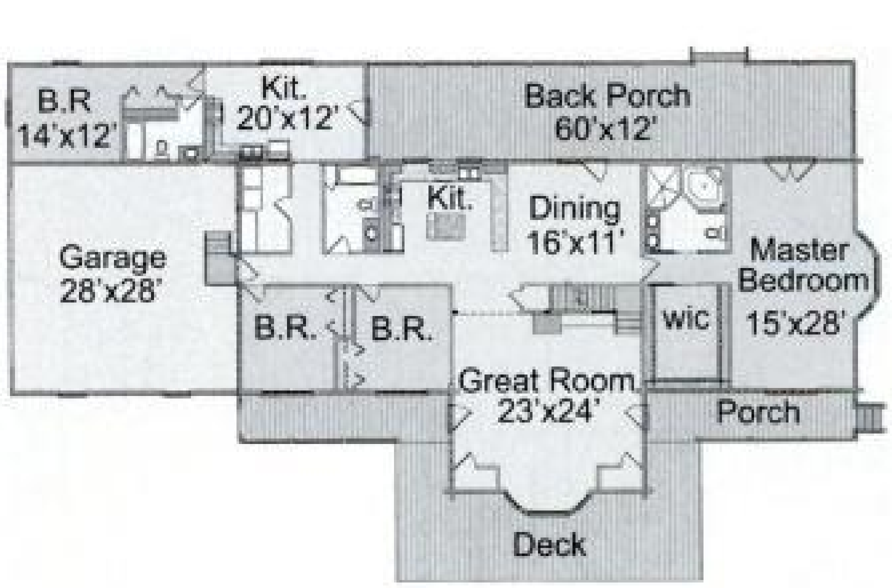
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Gable Log Homes



This beautiful home, crafted from deep swamp red cypress, is an owner's original. Located in the low country of South Carolina, it features four bedrooms, three baths and a great room in the main house and an additional bedroom, bath and separate kitchen in the guest wing. Let us help you create your owner's original today.

Schafer Home
Bedrooms: 5
Baths: 4
Square Footage: 3,518
Package Price: Call for prices



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Heart's Content

Bedrooms: 1 to 3
Baths: 1 to 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,316 to 4,055
Package Price: Call for prices



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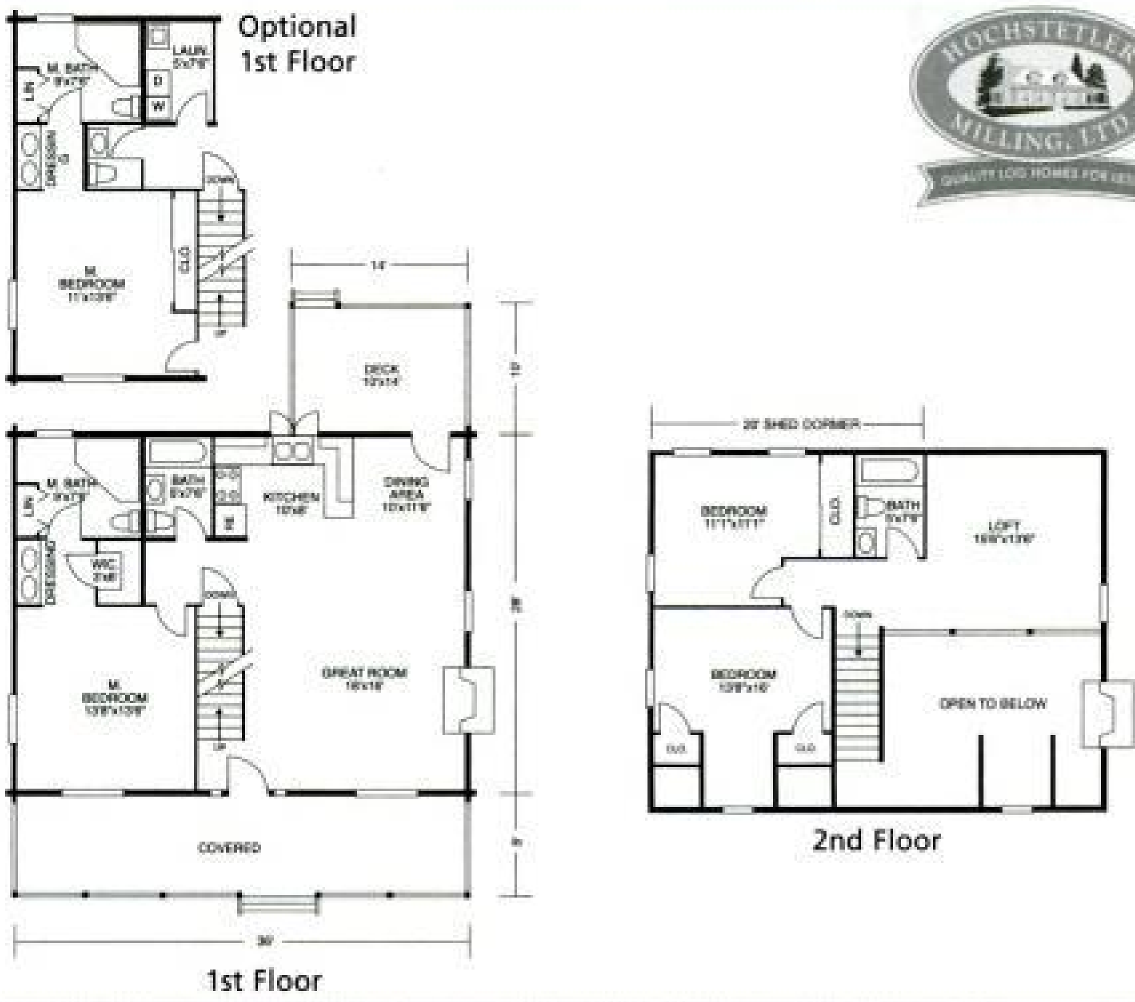
Hochstetler Milling



The Hudson features an open concept dining and great room with exposed ceiling beams, a master bedroom with walk-in closet and large master bath and a full-length front porch. An optional first-floor laundry is available. Upstairs, a loft provides additional space for an office or bedroom. Dealer inquiries welcome.

Hudson

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 1,708
Package Price: $23,398



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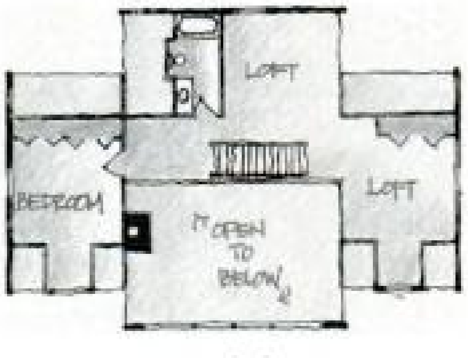
Gastineau Log Homes



This home has the versatility to meet the needs of any size family. The striking front glass gable makes you want to come inside and discover the other wonderful features. The windows between the kitchen cabinets provide light and add architectural interest. The garage is conveniently located adjacent to the kitchen and utility area.

The Madison

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,963
Package Price: $64,850 to $126,850



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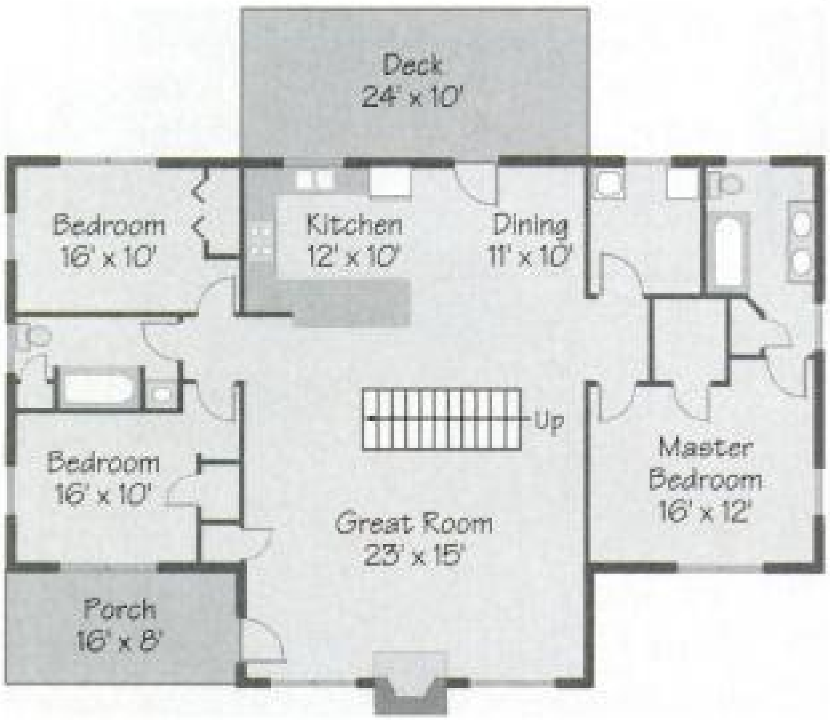
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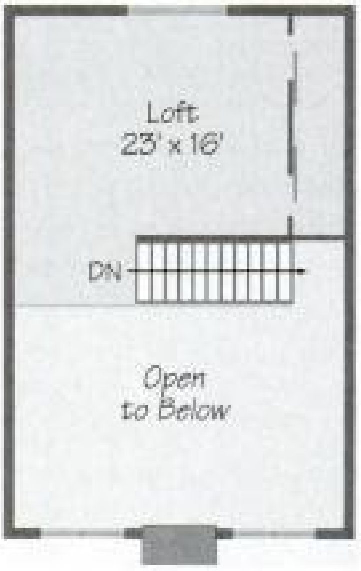
George R. White has been producing log homes for more than 20 years. The Avondale II offers a spacious great room surrounded by three main-level bedrooms for easy living, plus enjoy year-round entertaining in your comfortable kitchen-dining area complete with a sunny deck. Upstairs, the large loft offers a variety of uses.

The Avondale II

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,033
Package Price: Call for prices



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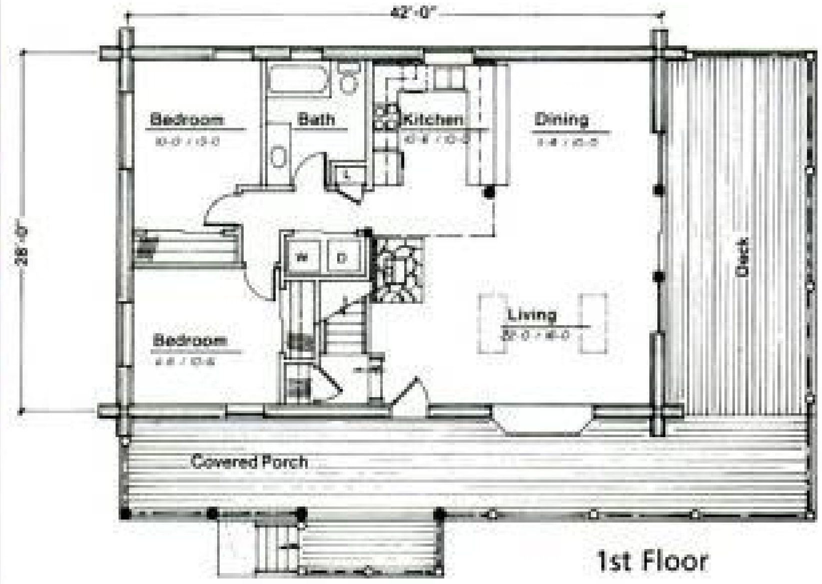
Homestead Log Homes



Lake Almanor is a popular high mountain lake in northern California. The Almanor model is a spectacular home in the finest of handcrafted tradition with a large open living area and a loft-level master suite. The more you learn about log home construction, the easier it is to make the right choice.

Almanor

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,814
Package Price: Call for prices



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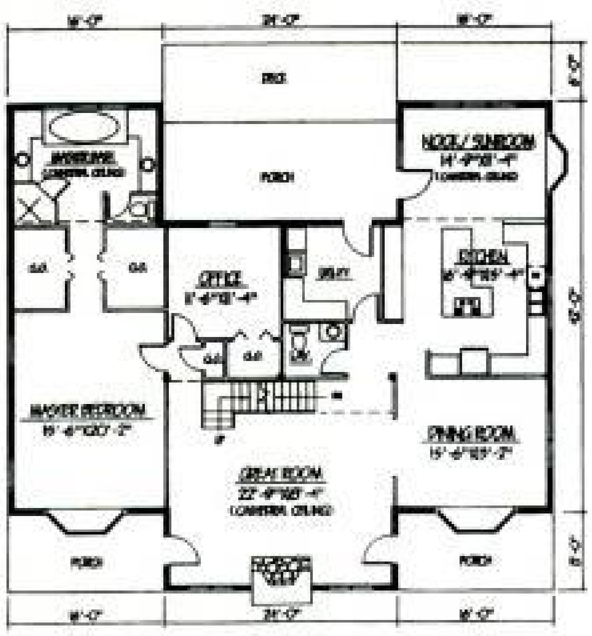
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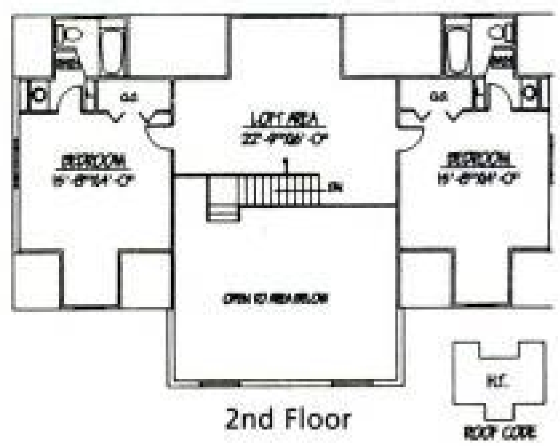
From a private office to an extra-large utility room to a sunroom off the kitchen, the Richfield offers many of the extras people need to make home life more comfortable. You also will find the bedrooms, great room, kitchen and dining room all very generous in size.

Richfield

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3 1/2
Square Footage: 3,184
Package Price: Call for prices



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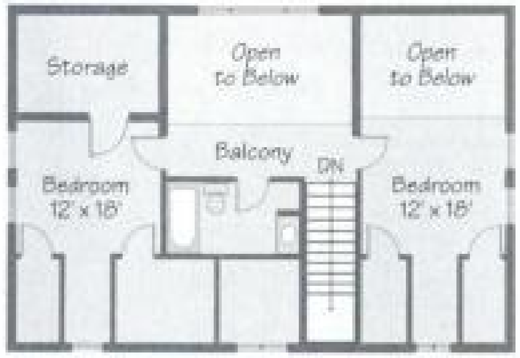
International Homes of Cedar Inc.



This country charmer is ideal for a contemporary timber home or a rustic getaway. From the wraparound porch to the main-floor master suite, IHC has combined many desirable elements into this beautiful Mountain Ranch plan. Contact IHC to help turn your dreams into reality.

Mountain Ranch

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 1,995
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Package Price: $119,325 to $137,387
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2nd Floor



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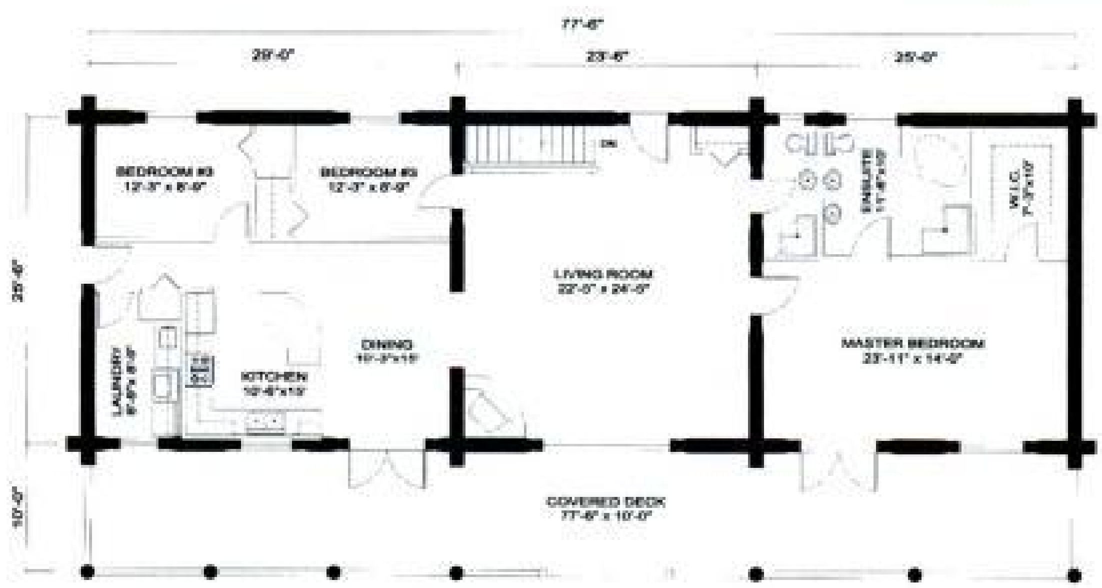
Lake Country Log Homes



A classic open web roof truss accents the sprawling front deck of this stunning log home. The expansive dining and living rooms feature a curved log arch and natural stone fireplace. A balance of comfort and privacy are achieved between the spacious master suite and two additional bedrooms.

The North Pole

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,976
Package Price: Call for prices



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Michehouse
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,648
Package Price: Call for prices



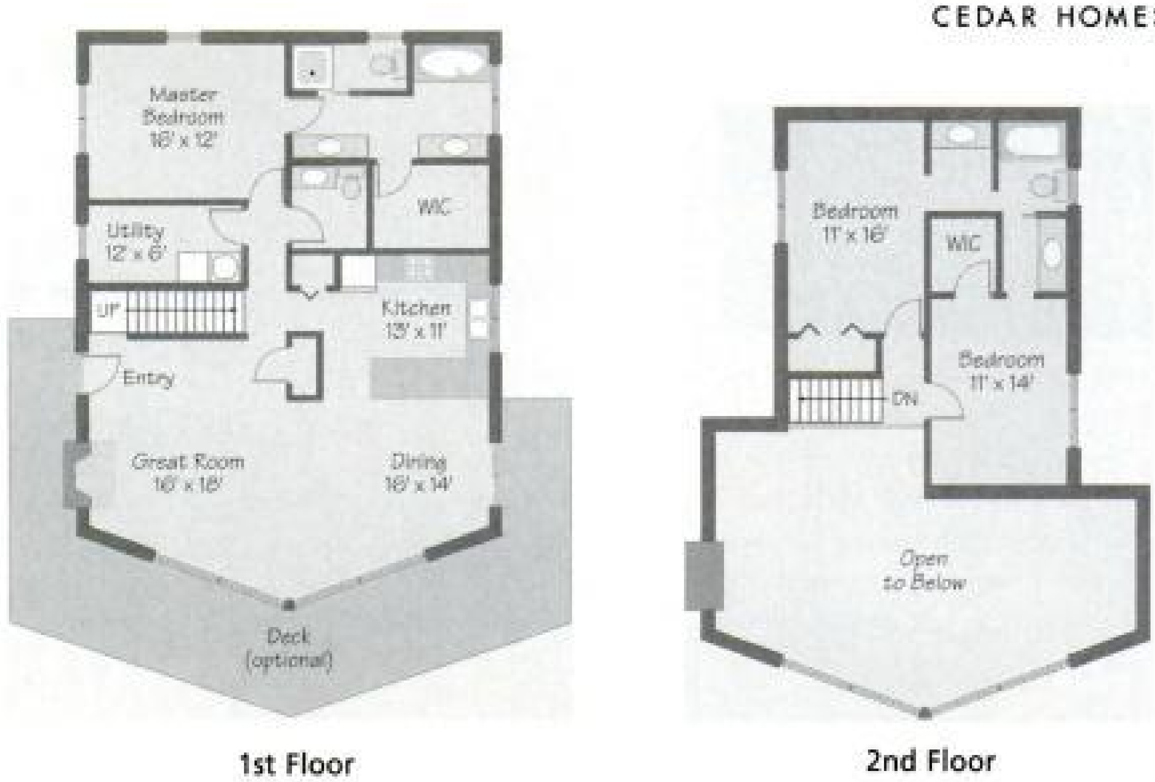
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Lindal Cedar Homes



The Teton's classic design offers the best of both worlds. The prow adds a sense of drama, while the change in roof pitch creates a warm, rustic feeling. The abundance of windows creates a relaxing area where you can enjoy the view. The first-floor master suite has plenty of space to relax.

Teton
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 1,741
Package Price: Call for prices



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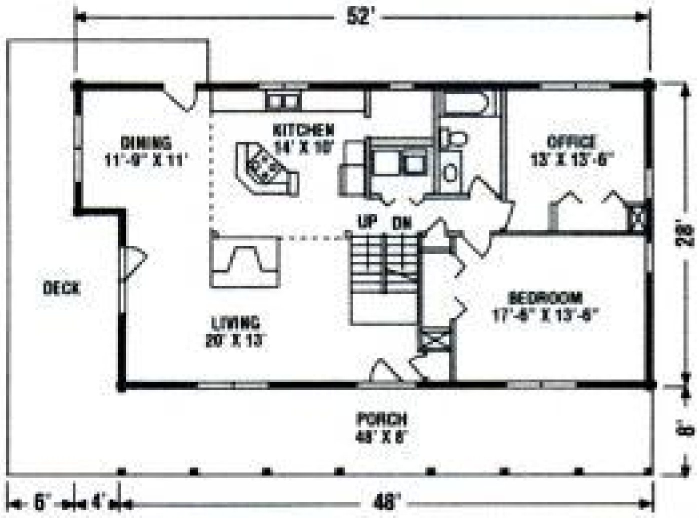
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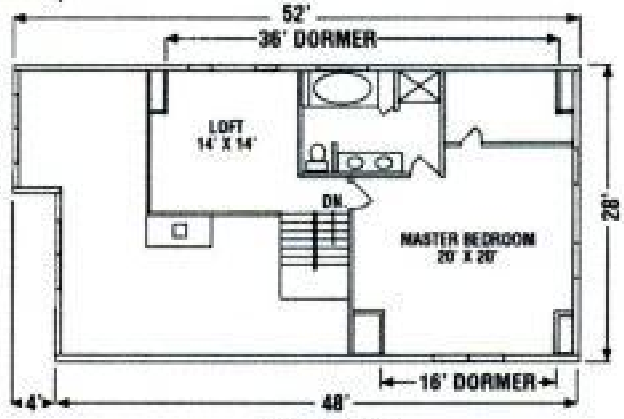


Perfect retreat. Find solace in the master suite up and away, accompanied by a reading loft. The center fireplace allows everyone to enjoy its warmth. Each room is accented with gorgeous heavy timber beams and logs. Imagine grilling on the deck or swinging on the front porch. You are at home.

Robinson
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,232
Package Price: Call for prices



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Log Structures of the South



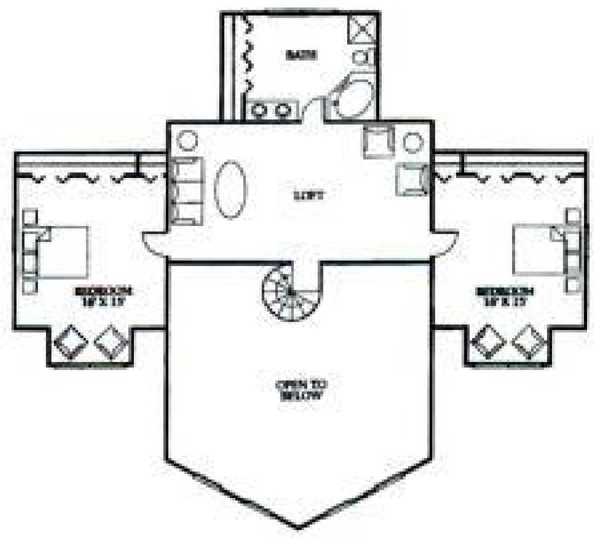
The 3,750-square-foot Highland is just the right log home for spacious country living and the neighbor-next-door city living. The Highland is a four-bedroom, two-bath log home with a large wrap-around deck. The home is constructed of 6-by-8-inch pine or cedar logs, which are certified and graded.

The Highland
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 3,750
Package Price: $126,369

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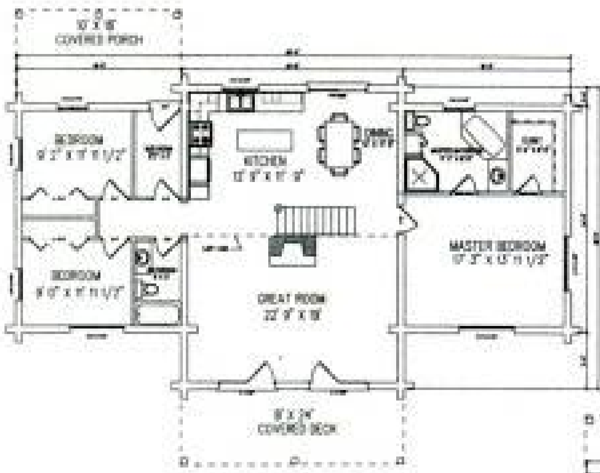
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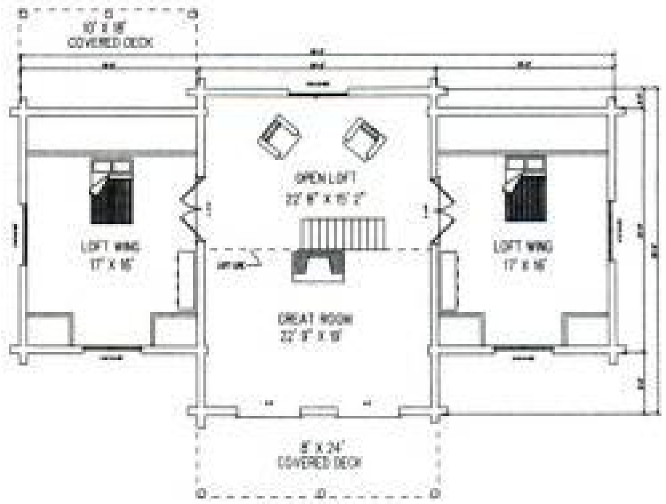
The attractive style of The Meadows main entry is enhanced by a fireplace, cathedral ceiling and large glass windows, which provide for natural light and spectacular views. In one wing, a master bedroom suite features a walk-in closet and large private bath. Opposite, two bedrooms adjoin a second full bath. Upstairs are two more bedrooms plus a loft.

The Meadows

Bedrooms: 5
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,848
Package Price: Call for prices



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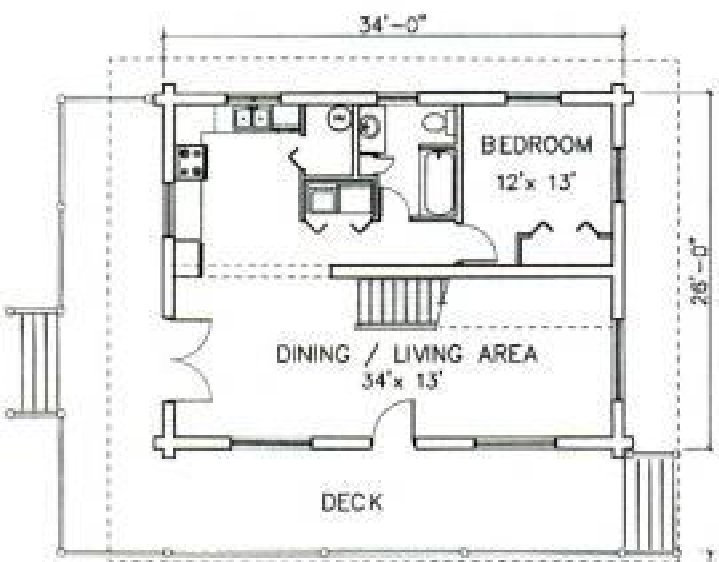
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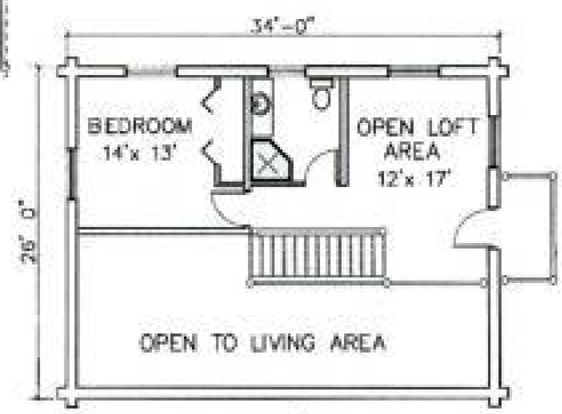
The Pioneer has two bedrooms, two baths, a half loft, log interior walls with archway, a covered porch as well as an open deck. These features help make The Pioneer a practical but roomy smaller home.

The Pioneer

Bedrooms: 2
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,358
Package Price: $32,592 to $67,900



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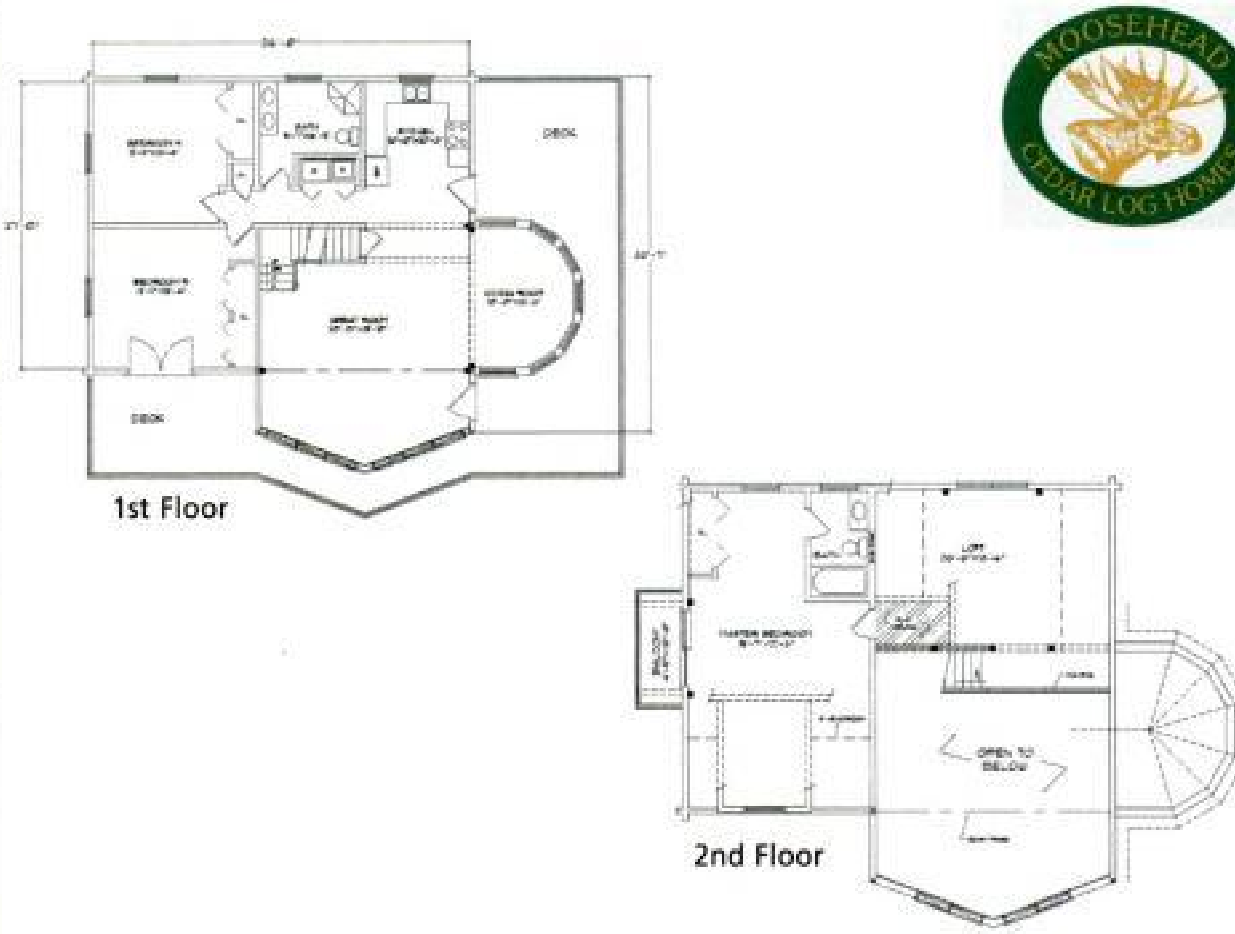
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Moosehead Cedar Log Homes



This chalet-style home lends itself to both the traditional and contemporary lifestyle. The large windows in the great room prow and the unique shape of the dining room give this gathering area an open feel. The large wraparound deck allows for easy entertaining. Visit our model home in Greenville, Maine.

Tahoe
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,264
Package Price: Call for prices

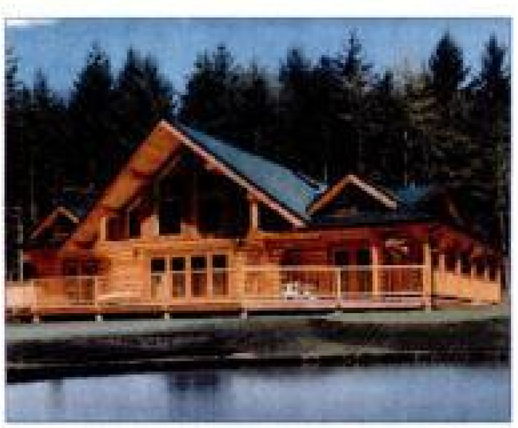


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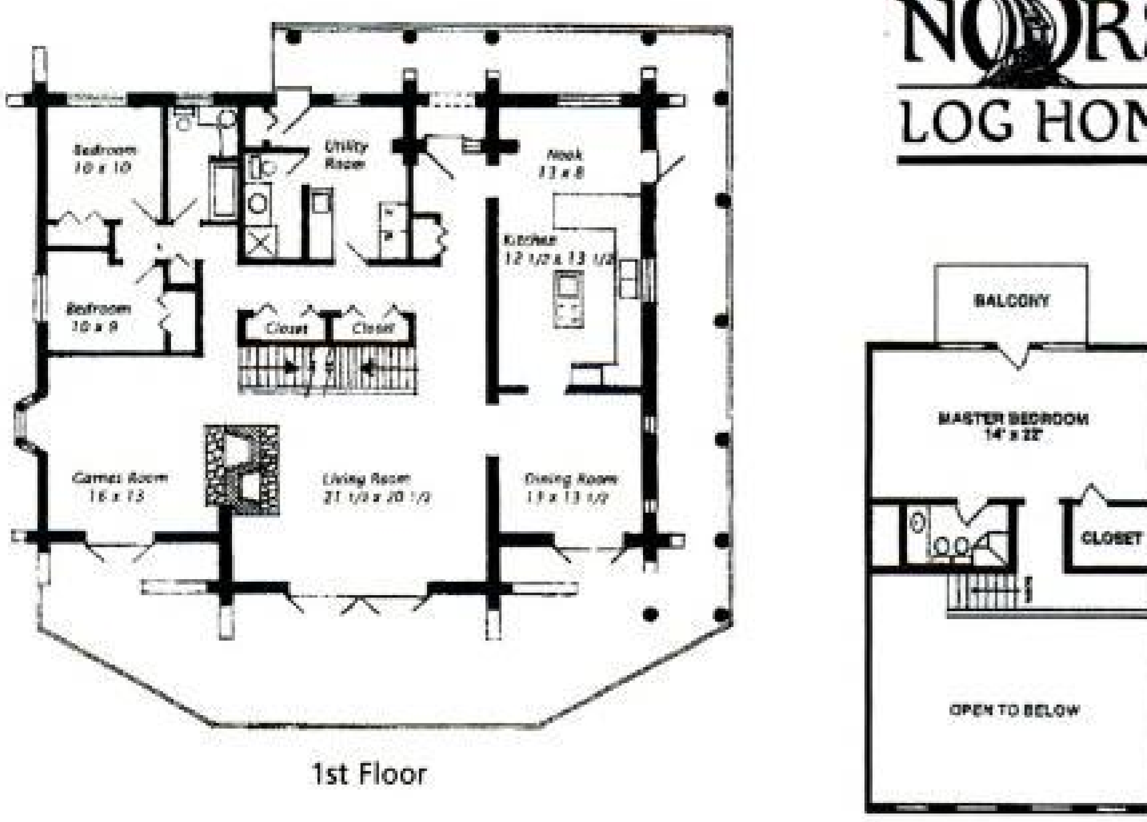
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This most popular design features three bedrooms and large living areas for entertaining. Four sets of French doors open onto an expansive wraparound deck. Lots of windows and vaulted ceilings over the living room give this home a bright and airy atmosphere. The master suite is situated on the second floor.

Silva Bay
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,530
Package Price: Call for prices



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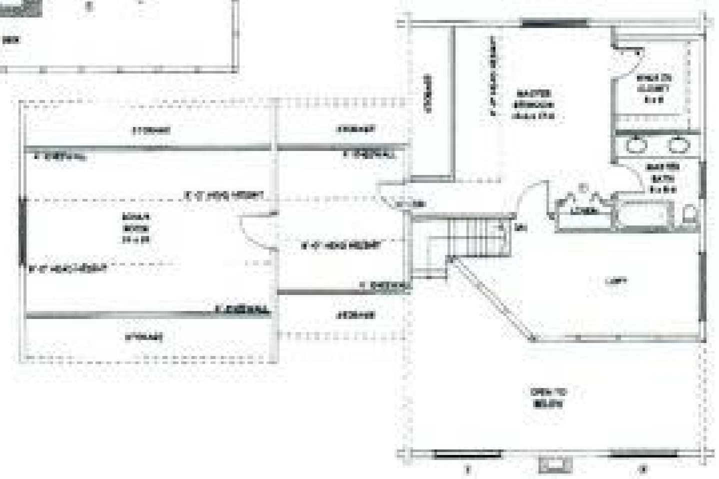
This open concept home provides its owners with a comfortable gathering place. The chalet-style front, with wonderful window exposure, brings in the natural light. The towering fireplace in the great room provides a warm atmosphere in the evening. With three bedrooms and two baths, this house is the perfect size for today's family.

Ossipee

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,300
Package Prices: $20,500



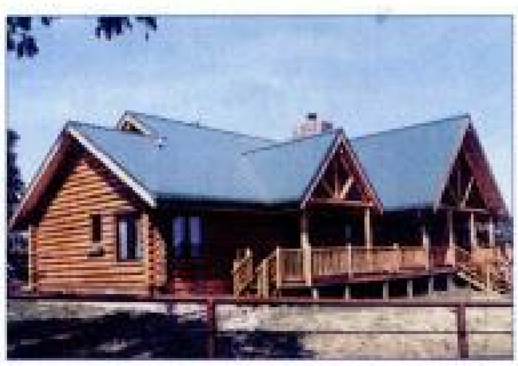
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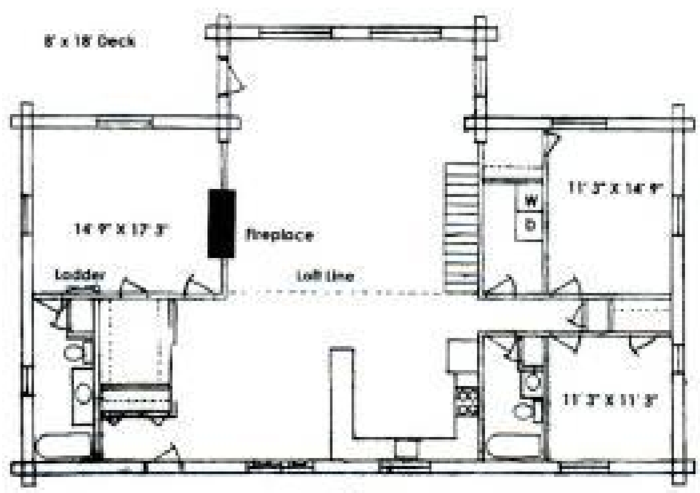
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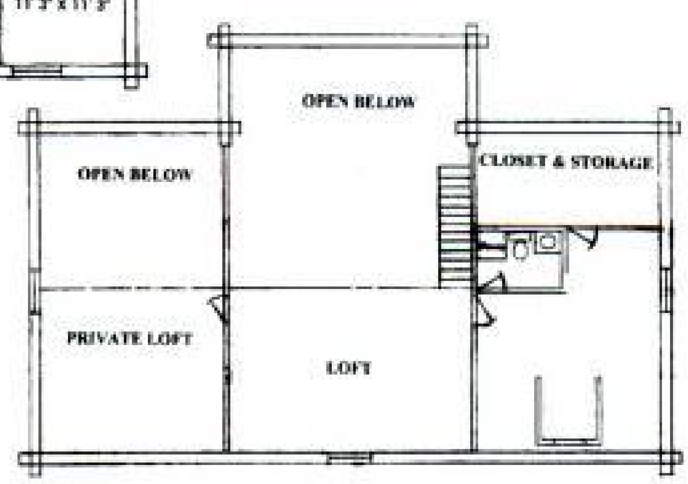
The Redstone offers the opportunity to place the kitchen in the front or the back of this plan, whichever suits your needs. The master bedroom boasts many features including a shared fireplace with the great room, vaulted ceilings and a private loft area above the master bath and walk-in closet.

The Redstone

Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 2,618
Package Prices: $31,175
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The Original Log Cabin Homes Ltd.



The Original Log Cabin Homes Ltd. is proud to present the Blueridge I. This is a 1,408-square-foot home with three bedrooms and two baths. The spacious great room and the overlooking loft mixed with the wonderful window exposure gives you the feeling of the great outdoors without having to leave your home.

Blueridge I

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,408
Package Price: Call for prices



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An open great room and kitchen provide a gathering place for family and friends in The Madison plan. The master bedroom and bath are located downstairs and two bedrooms and a full bath upstairs. The loft overlooking the great room has an impressive view of the soaring cathedral ceiling.

The Madison

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,088
Package Price: Call for prices



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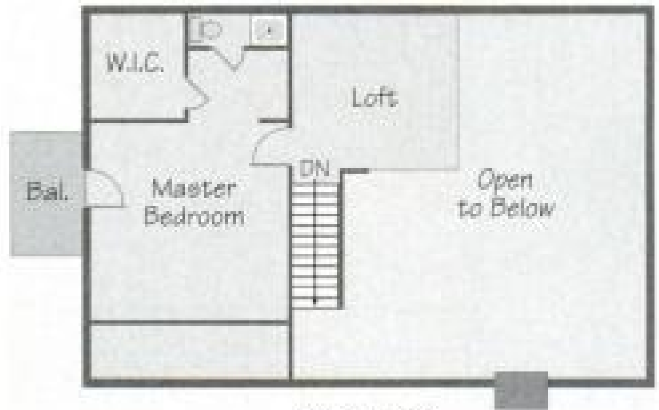
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Outaouais Log Homes



The Mohican's kitchen, dining and great rooms combine for easy entertaining. The master bedroom and bath are located on the loft level for added privacy. For $52,000, you get the complete home package. Everything is included except foundation, labor, electrical, plumbing, cabinets and hardware.

The Mohican
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,598
Package Price: $52,000 (U.S.)



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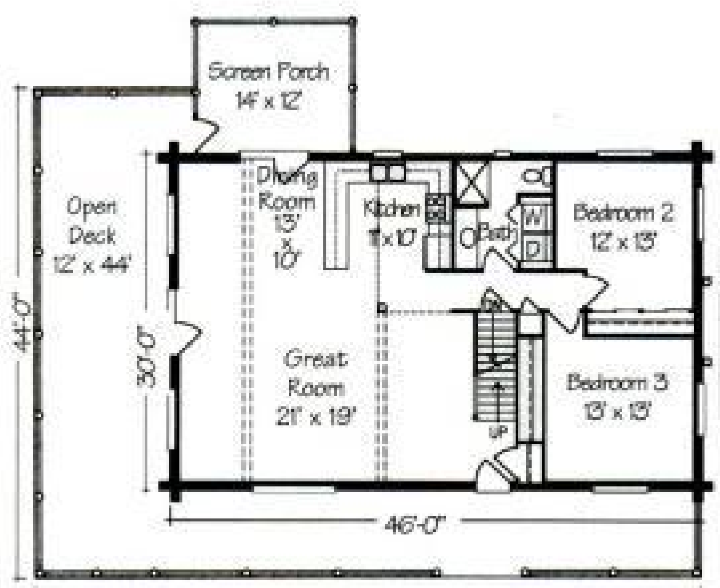
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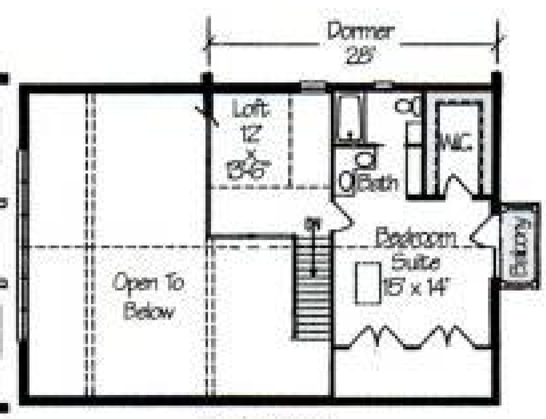
Gable windows and patio doors create a front to a special view. A spacious great room provides for large gatherings under a spectacular vaulted wood ceiling. In the plan shown here, the master suite is located on the second level but a first-floor master is an option as well.

L-3046
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,949
Package Price:
$84,550 (standard)
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$224,000 to $236,000
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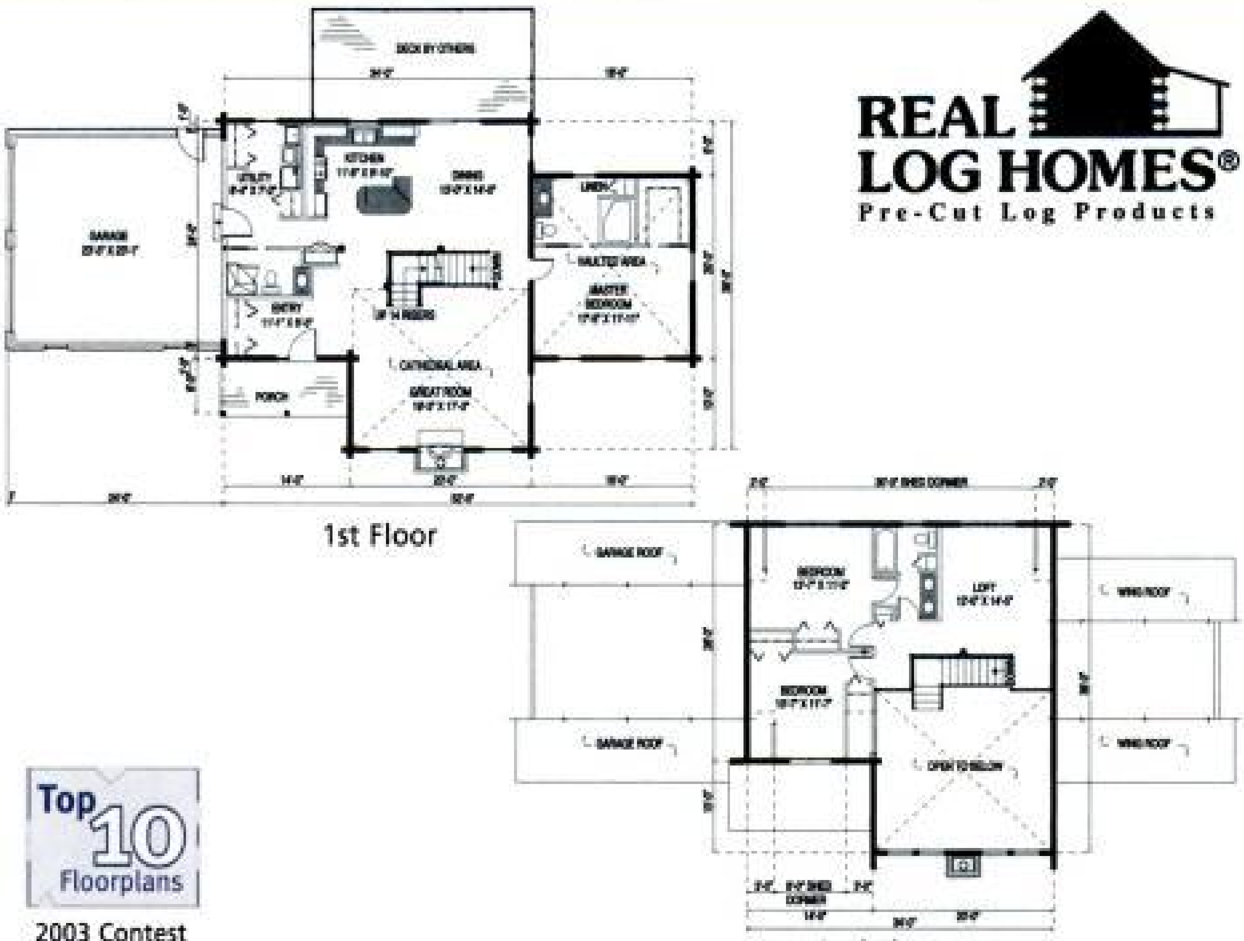
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With its well-designed entry and easy flow, the Levasseur is an extremely appealing plan. As you enter, the open great room with its stone fireplace and cathedral ceiling leads you to the kitchen/dining area. The master suite is also located off of the great room, while two additional bedrooms are found upstairs.

Levasseur
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3
Square Footage: 2,088
Package Price: Call for prices



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Introducing The Four Seasons, a gorgeous custom home designed with huge great room windows, cathedral ceilings and open living spaces. This floorplan was developed for a true country lifestyle. Whether you desire a cozy, single-story, 1,472-square-foot bungalow or a grand, two-story, 2,636-square-foot home, The Four Seasons is the answer to your dreams.

The Four Seasons
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,472
Package Price: $30,000 to $100,000

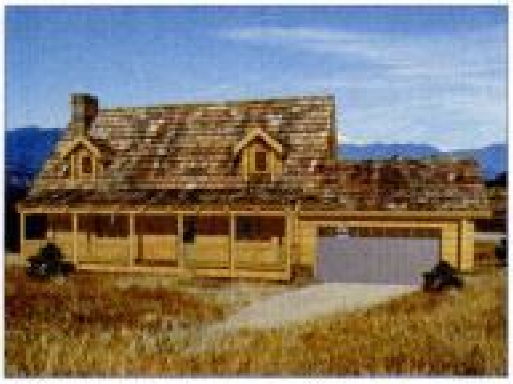


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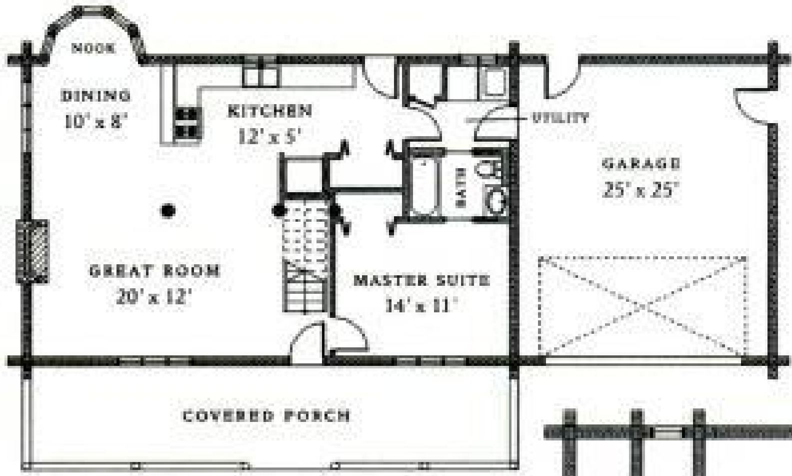
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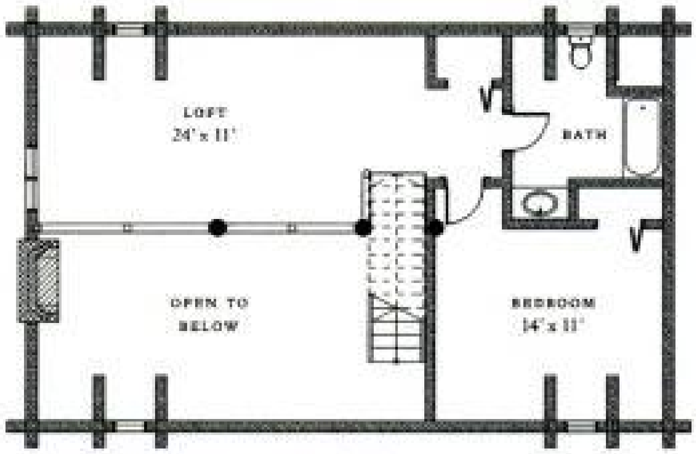


This traditional log home is a pleasure to look at with its twin dormers and dining nook. The layout is spacious, comfortable and versatile. This cozy home also offers a covered front porch, which makes the Tahoe III a wonderful recreational home.

Tahoe III
Bedrooms: 2 to 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 1,700
Package Price: Call for prices



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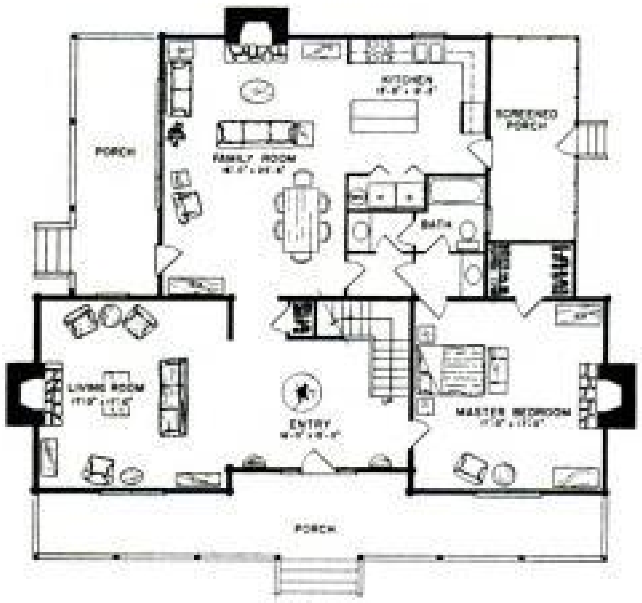
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Prestwick
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 3,294
Package Price: Call for prices


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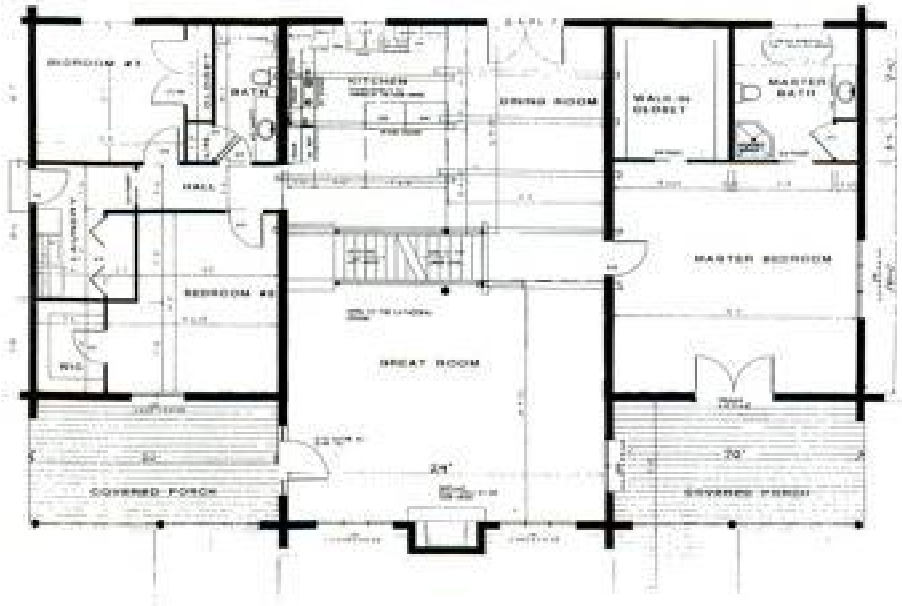
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Bear Valley
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Square Footage: 2,240
Package Price: Call for prices

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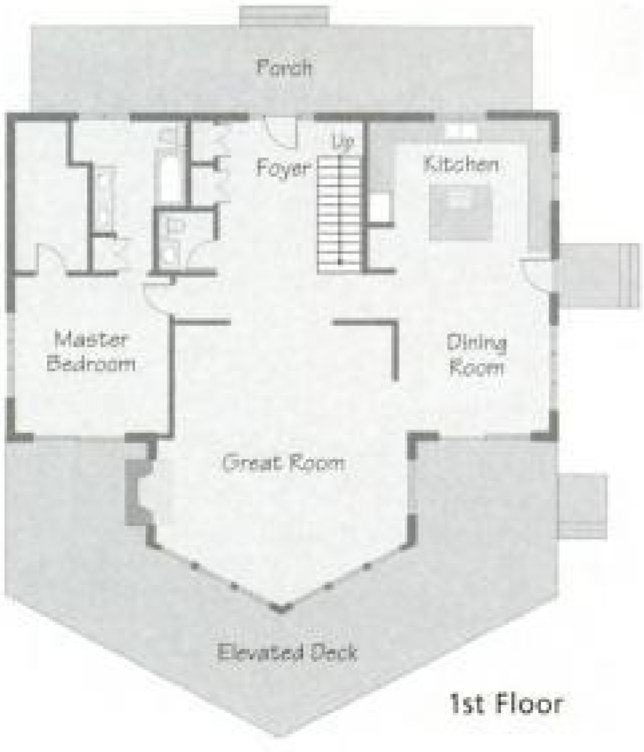
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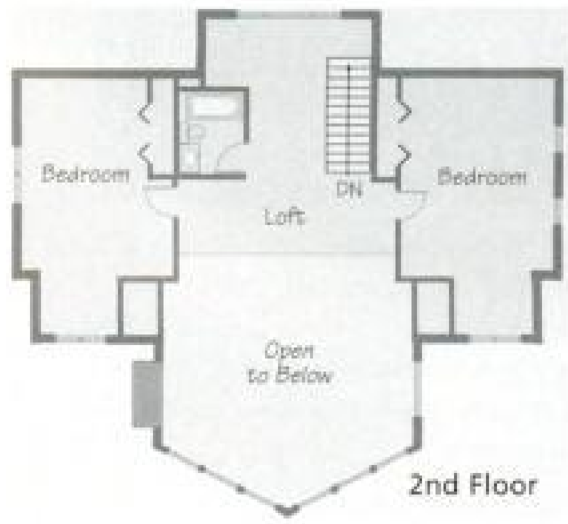
The Grand Vista's prow front extends from the open great room and foyer and features lots of glass for a spectacular view. Upstairs, the two bedrooms are separated by an open loft, which overlooks the great room below. The three bathrooms and combination kitchen/dining room complete this new and exciting design.

Grand Vista
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 3,074
Package Price: Call for prices

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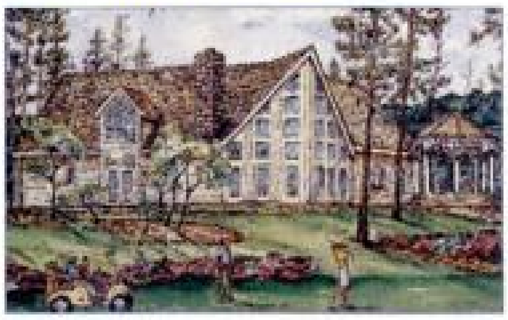
The Summit design utilizes a simple rectangular shape which lends itself to cost efficiency. However, the innovative use of a diagonal ridge creates a dramatic prow front and a spacious feel to the house as a whole. The great room, kitchen and dining room combination are great for entertaining.

The Summit
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 1/2
Square Footage: 2,274
Package Price: Call for prices



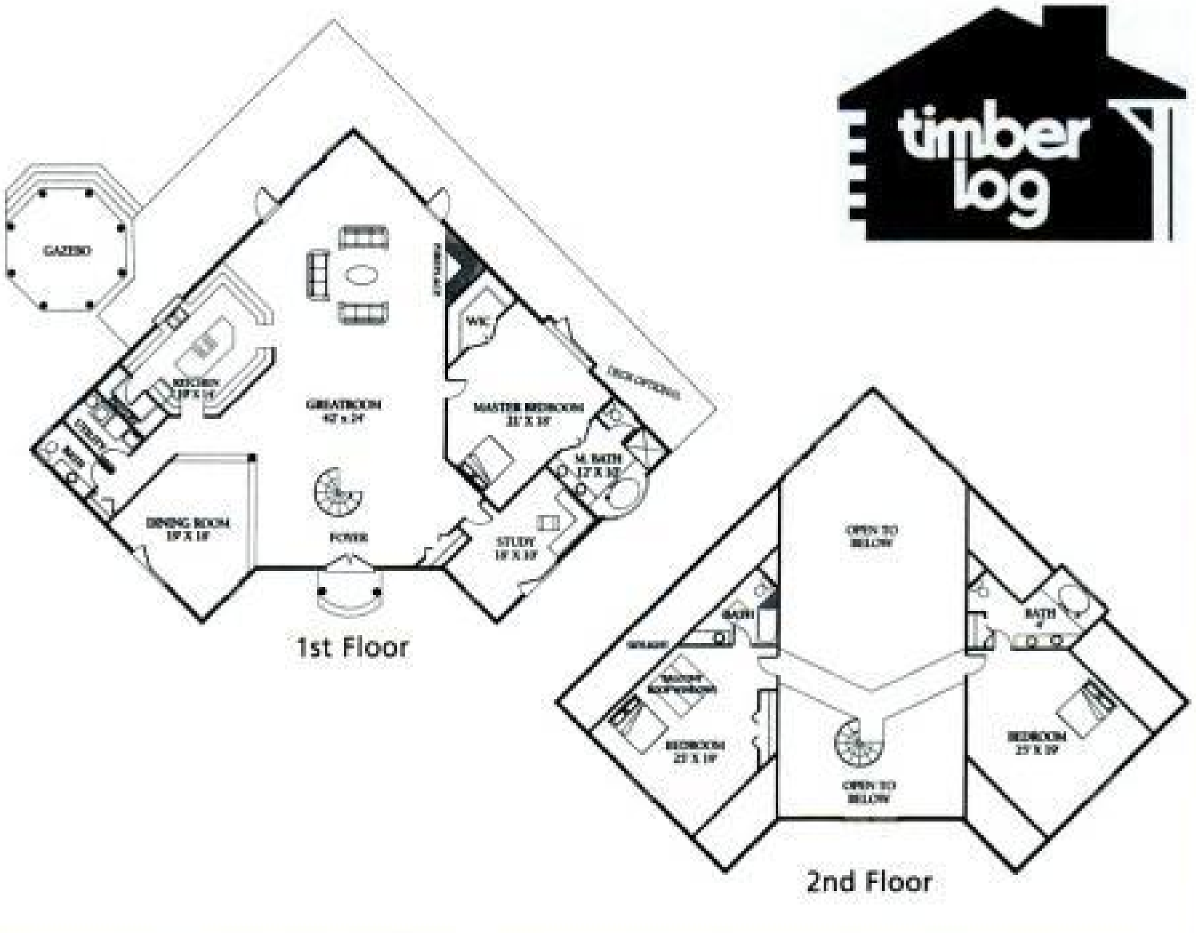
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The Pinehurst features a main living area with fireplace, cathedral ceiling and a large expanse of glass that provides light and views. Upstairs, a catwalk leads to the two additional bedrooms, each with its own bath.

The Pinehurst
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 3 1/2
Square Footage: 4,059
Package Price: $251,250



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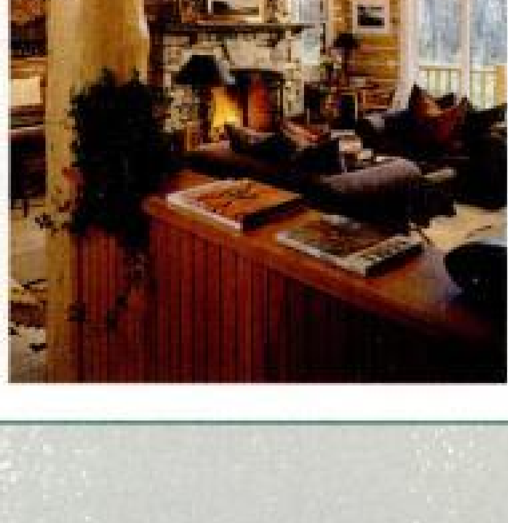
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Glacier View
Square Footage: 3,995
(excluding lower level)

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Alpine created Glacier View for an active family. The home features open living spaces, a gathering room and a spacious country kitchen. An outstanding element is its large wraparound porch with a massive outdoor fireplace.

Alpine Log Homes was founded in 1938. Its homes are often showcased in national publications such as *Architectural Digest, House & Garden, Town & Country, House Beautiful, Country Home, Traditional Home* and *Country Living*.

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Reflection Ridge
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Reflection Ridge is an example of a mixed medium design of log, frame, glass and stone. Multiple rooflines, dormers, clipped hips and log trusses enhance the exterior, and rock and log columns frame the entry. The turret-styled great room, with its floor-to-ceiling windows, offers 180-degree views. Wraparound decks encircle the home.

This home and each Alpine log home are one-of-a-kind and custom handcrafted. Alpine maintains a large professional staff providing custom design, engineering, exact log work costing, graded logs, shipping coordination, onsite reassembly advising and ongoing construction consultation.

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Storybook Charm
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(excluding lower level)

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The home pictured here was featured in *Better Homes and Gardens.* Alpine's designers updated the classic 1940s lake cottage to create Storybook Charm. Arched doorways and divided-light windows complement the cottage style.

It was crafted at Alpine Log Home's facility in Victor, Montana. The home was then disassembled, trucked across the country and reassembled on its lakeshore site.

After many years of building on location, Alpine invented the logyard pre-assembly system, whereby new homes are entirely built at a central location, ensuring quality control and premium raw material selection.

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Plan 9801
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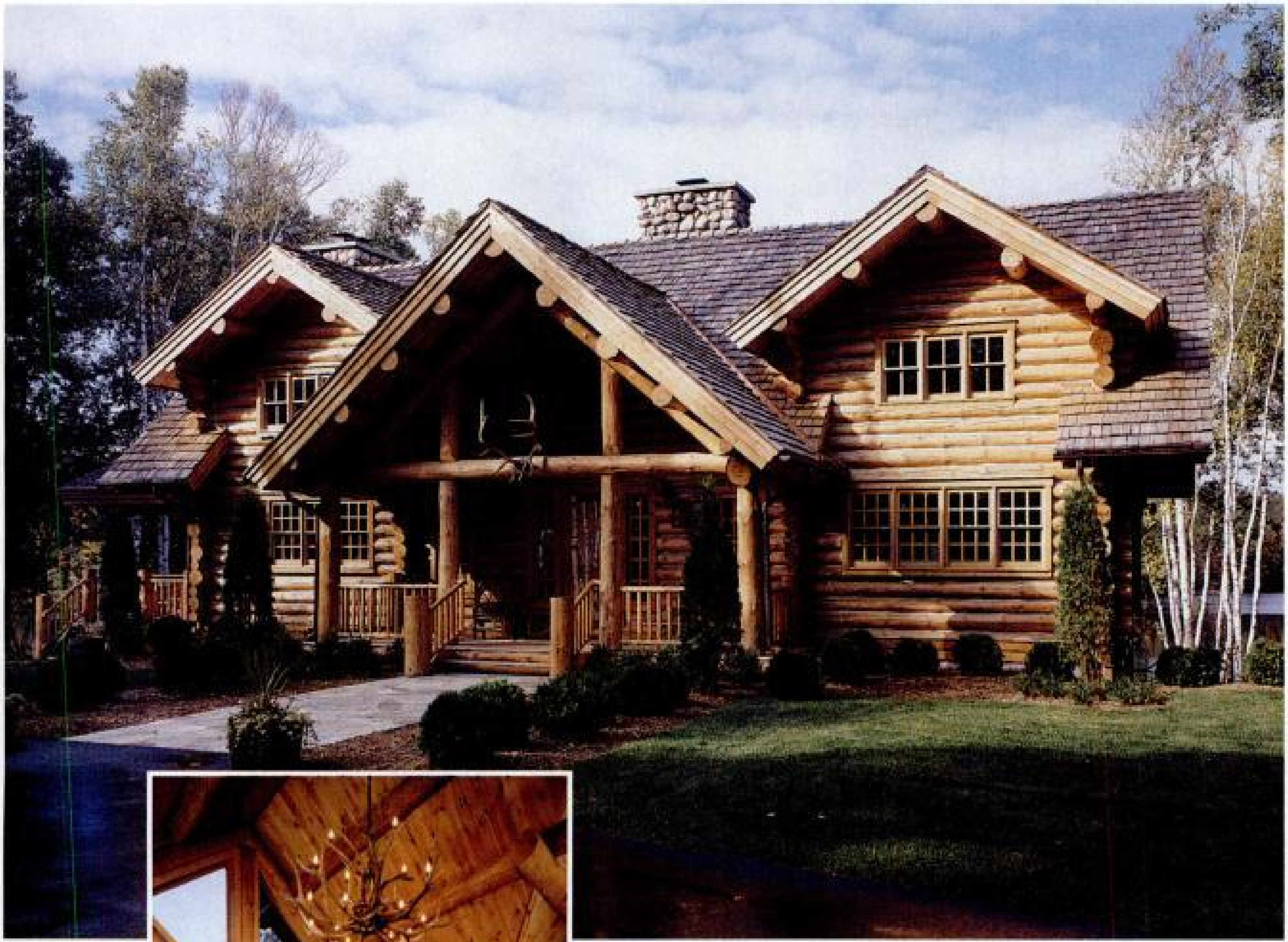
The massive timbers used in this home create a spectacular entrance. Daring design gives the home a unique quality not found in most homes today. A carriage house, attached by a bridge to the main house, provides an elegant private space.

This home is but one of the many unique custom-designed homes Maple Island has created. Its experienced architectural staff can design a home to suit your specific needs.

Maple Island Log Homes

Birch Lodge
Square Footage: 2,888

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Maple Island Log Homes

The pulled out great room in this home allows for expansive views and becomes a perfect showcase for the intricate log roof framing system. A covered porch with an outside fireplace adjacent to the kitchen allows for convenient outside dining and entertaining.

Maple Island is the largest handcrafter east of the Rockies and has been building homes throughout North America since 1977.

MLH-037 Eden Camp
Square Footage: 3,000

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Creativity and function meld in this perfectly executed plan. Gable dormers and covered porches add eye appeal and function to its dramatic rooflines. The inviting front deck and loft balcony welcome you to a spacious front entry. The open main floor consists of a large lodge room, kitchen, dining room and deluxe master suite. The loft offers a guest bedroom, a bathroom and an open library with a private balcony.

Present your ideas to the qualified, experienced and knowledgeable staff at Montana Log Homes to discuss your plans. Contact us for a free brochure, a copy of our plan guide or our video.

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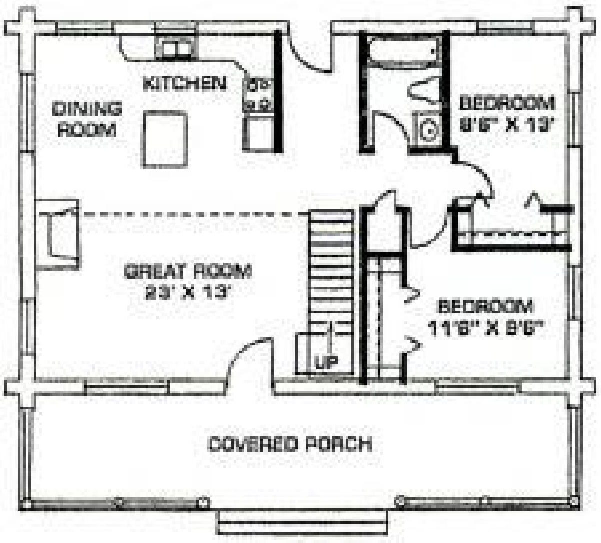
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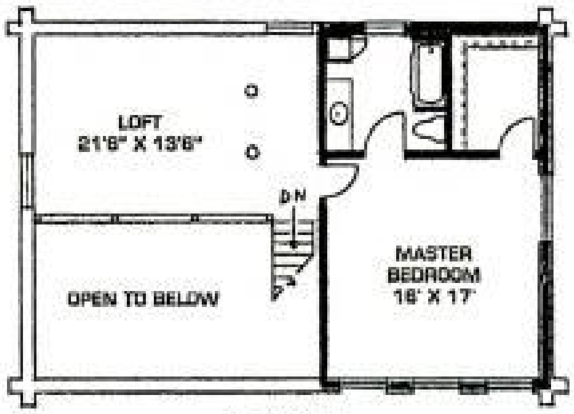








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Montana Log Homes

This plan offers frontier spirit and rustic charm in a vacation home or a permanent residence. Designed with efficiency in mind, this 28-by-40-foot plan has 1,100 square feet on the main floor with a three-quarter loft. A covered front porch adds character and style.

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A formal entry welcomes you into this spacious home. Numerous windows let in natural light, highlighting the warmth of the handcrafted logs. A towering fireplace in the great room accents the truss-and-purlin roof system. A double staircase leads to an impressive loft and the master bedroom, which features a private balcony. The main floor features a separate family room and a second master bedroom.

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PrecisionCraft Log Homes





Precision Craft Log Homes

A glass-filled prow and numerous windows bring an abundance of light into this custom home. This comfortable and inviting home has many unique features, from the purlin-and-truss roof system to the custom archways to the hot tub house. The full basement provides a separate family room and ample storage.

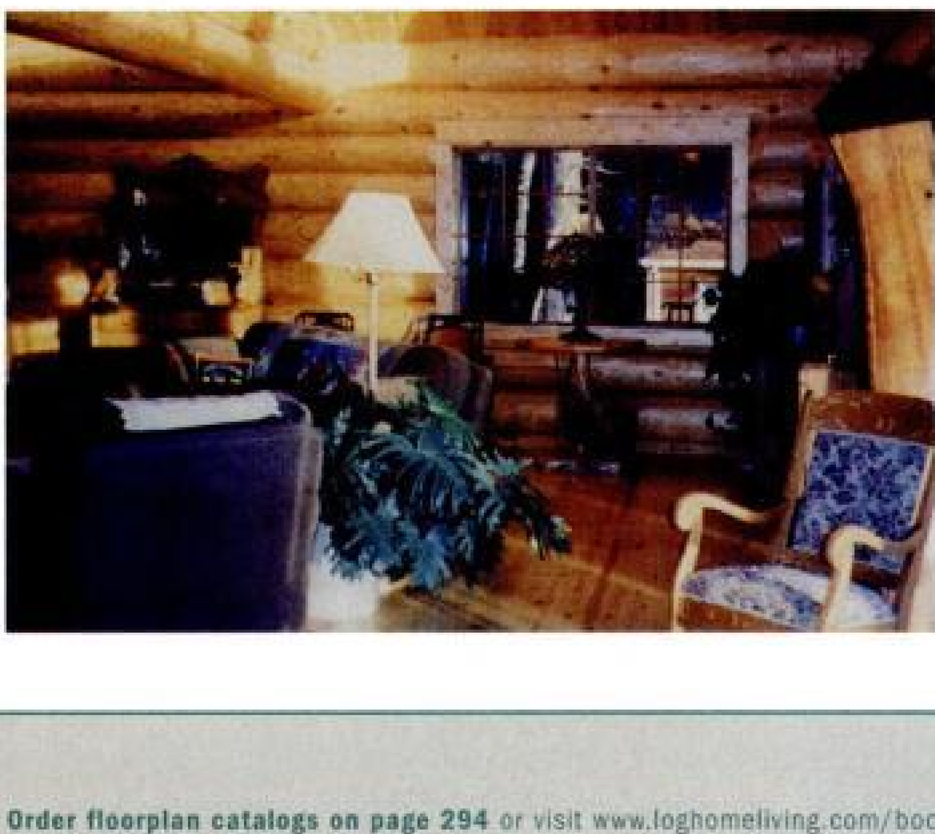
The full-length logs, ranging in diameter from 12 to 24 inches, are hand-selected from the forests of British Columbia then hand-shaped by craftsmen. The majestic beauty of the logs combined with the painstaking care with which they are put together will truly make your home a one-of-a-kind work of art.

The West Side
Square Footage: 1,935

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Treehouse Log Homes of the Northwest LLC

This beautifully handcrafted home was created by our design team in May 2000. Its signature gable dormers and entry truss have made it a favorite of Treehouse customers. The West Side features three bedrooms, two baths and a total of 1,935 square feet of living space. Including delivery and design, this home ranges from $40 to $50 per square foot. Our design team can help you modify The West Side or create the log home of your dreams. Our updated plansbook, featuring color photos, floorplans and much more, is now available.

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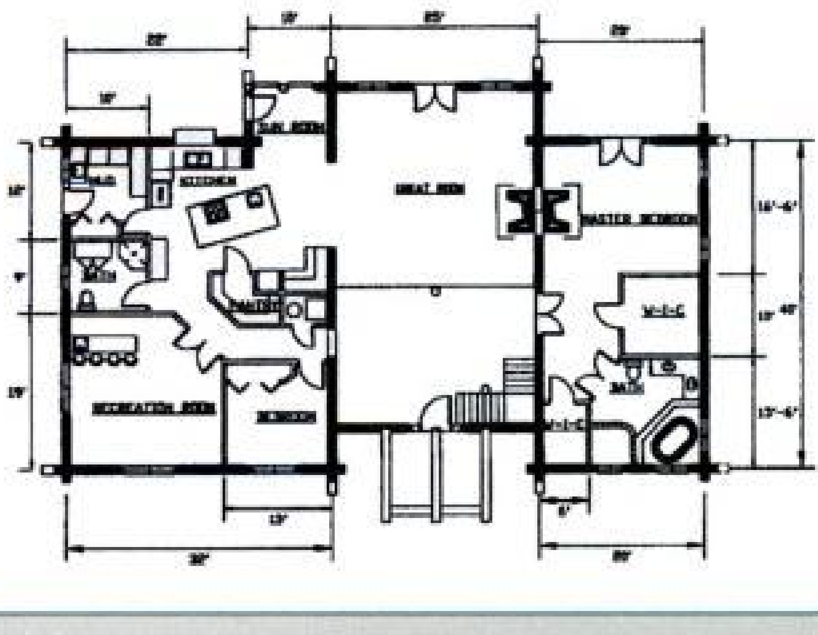
The Brenden
Square Footage: 3,502

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Treehouse Log Homes of the Northwest LLC

An open floorplan and elegant surroundings make The Brenden a show-quality log home. The master suite shares a two-sided fireplace with the great room, and both have seperate access to the outdoors. Additional features of this single-level home are a sunroom, a recreation room, a large mudroom and an open kitchen with a pantry.

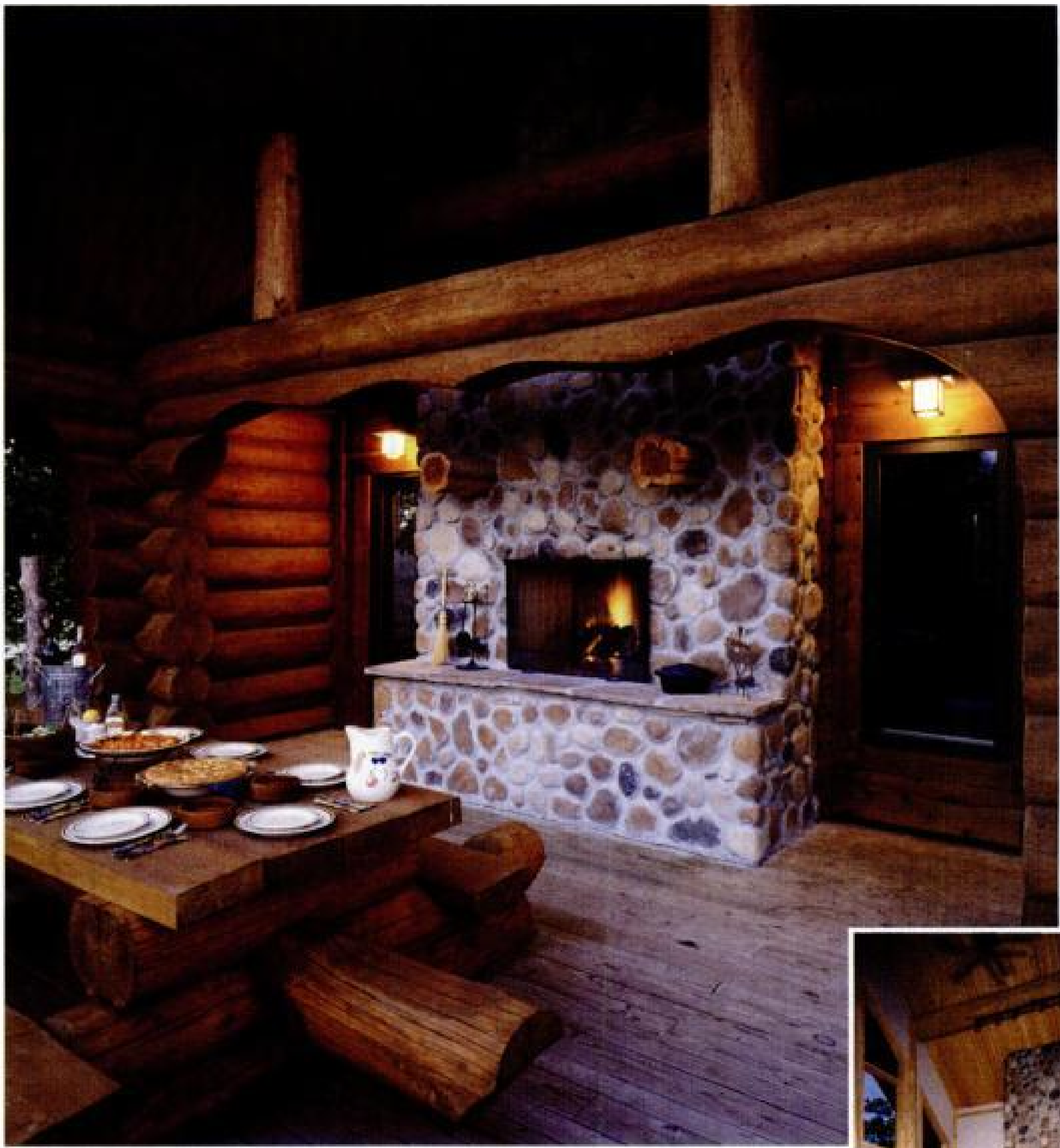
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Platte
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Square Footage: 3,000

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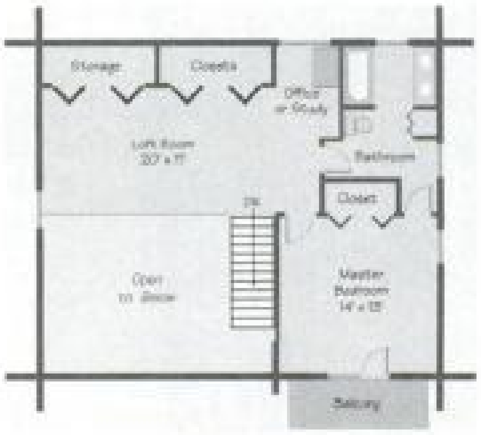


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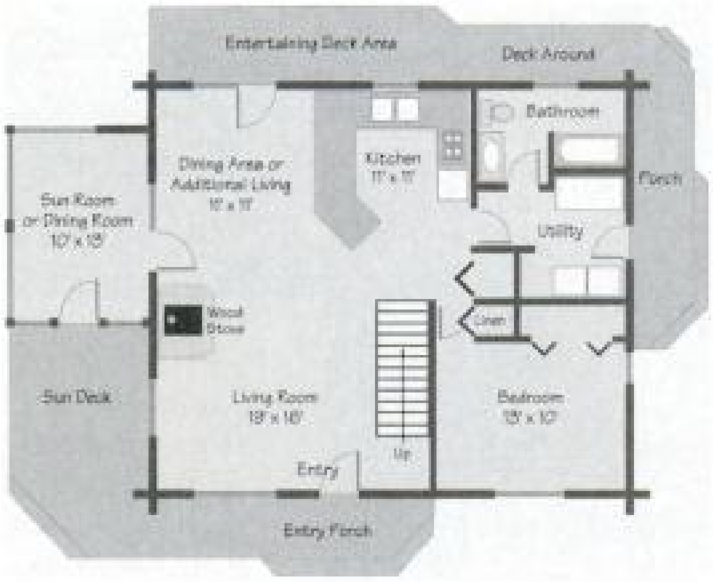
"The Shoshone beats several other nominees with its great good looks, effective layout and the ability to tuck a sunroom and an office into a small footprint. Lots of bang for the buck here. The designer of this home was really thinking."—Gregory Steckler, architect

This charmer combines informal living areas with an efficient use of space. The log package price is $49,500 with an estimated turn-key price of $100 to $120 per square foot.





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Grand Lake Log Homes Inc.

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GreatLand Log Homes

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Stripp Residence
Square Footage: 3,200

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Wy-o-me Ranch
Square Footage: 2,800

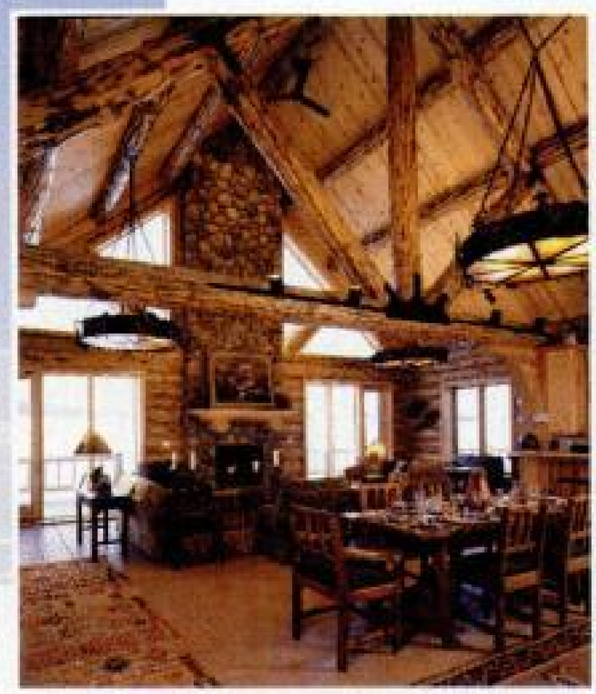
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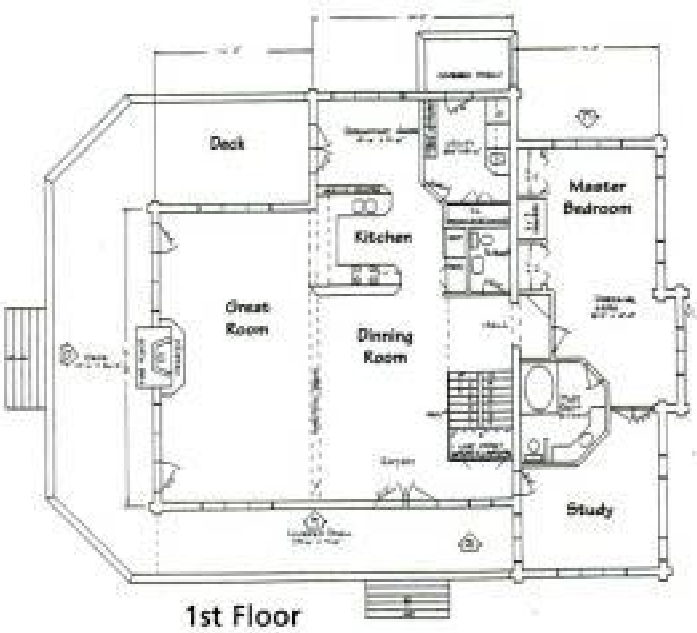
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The design of this 7,500-square-foot home combines traditional craftsmanship with a contemporary concept. The generous use of windows allows natural lighting to display the hand-hewn timber joinery. The roof's massive dormers, accented with custom king-post trusses, accentuate the dovetail cornered log walls.

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The Beach House
Square Footage: 1,300 (approximately)

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Square Footage: 4,950

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Andersen Log Homes Company

Kitchikitigan, as named by the home owners, comes from the Ojibwe Indians and means "heaven on earth." The spaciously designed layout provides for comfortable year-round living and entertaining. The main floor includes the entryway, a kitchen, a great room, the master bedroom wing with a walk-through closet and bath, and a four-season porch. There is a dormered loft and a fully finished three-bedroom basement.

Atali Log Homes

Atali
Square Footage: 3,500 to 6,500

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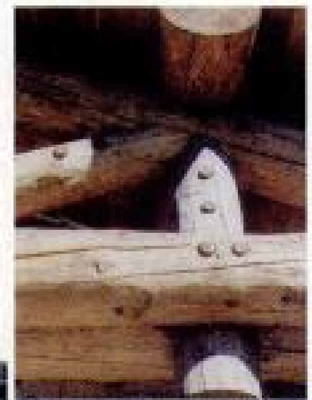
Atali Log Homes

The Atali features massive king post trusses, graceful archways and a spacious great room with a floor-to-ceiling fireplace and wall of windows with a view. Whether you dream of a rustic cabin in the woods or an elegant custom estate, we would be pleased to assist you in making your dreams come true.





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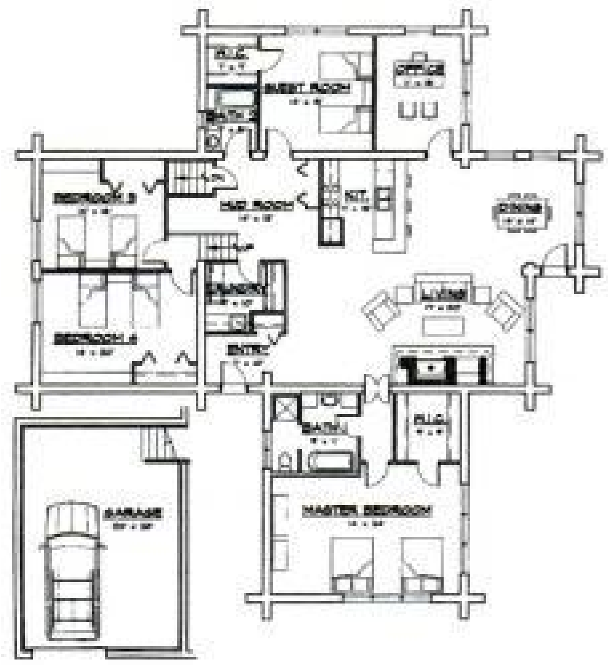




The Taylor Fork
Square Footage: 2,844

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Baker Creek Log Homes

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Bear Creek
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Square Footage: 4,000

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This property is a fully featured and unique floorplan. Its two levels plus loft offer more than 4,000 square feet. Each full-length log is hand-peeled to preserve its natural character. The great room is highlighted by a natural river rock fireplace constructed of native stone that stands more than 17 feet tall.

The Bear Island
Square Footage: 6,300

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Square Footage: 4,000

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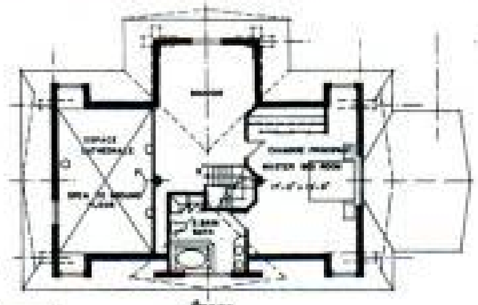


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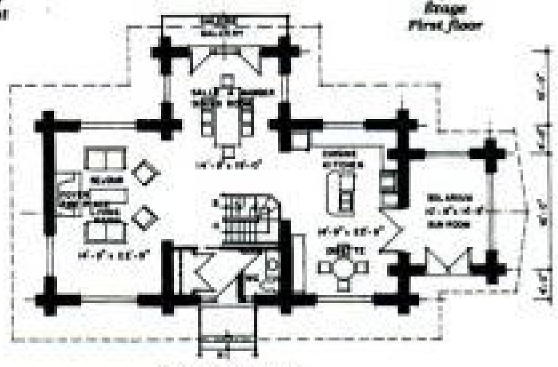
Along with its unique roof lines, the Seignery Club offers three bedrooms, two-and-a-half baths and a spacious living, dining and kitchen area. This home was hand-crafted by the skilled designers and craftsmen at Bois Rand Mont-Tremblant Log Homes. In addition to the full-scribe method, we also do post-and-beam homes and restoration projects.



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Basement



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First floor



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Ground floor







Bullock & Company Master Craftsmen

Bullock's master craftsmen expertly carved Shari's Dream. This full-scribe white pine log home has a cozy cottage exterior leading into a massive great room with cathedral ceilings and a floor-to-ceiling fireplace.

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Shari's Dream

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Centennial Log Homes & Furnishings Inc.

The Bootjack is a spacious home with five bedrooms and two upper-level balconies. The bedrooms on the main level can easily be modified to create a main-floor master suite.

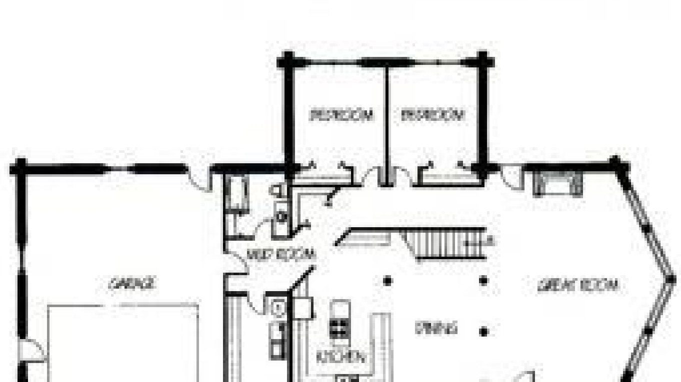
Centennial builds classic handcrafted Scandinavian-scribed log homes using 12- to 14-inch-diameter Engelmann spruce or lodgepole pine logs.



The Bootjack
Square Footage: 4,400

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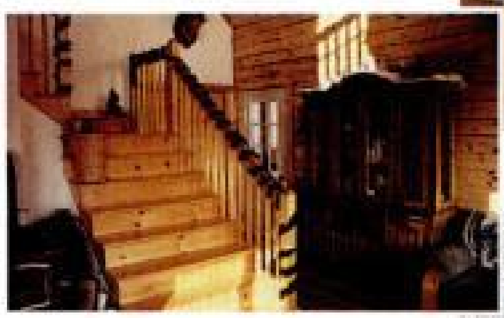
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Legendary Logcrafters

This majestic home features three bedrooms, two baths and a super-sized great room with a centrally located fireplace, all on one level. The New Yorker truly displays the massive white pine logs and craftsmanship of a Legendary Logcrafters' home.

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Allen Residence
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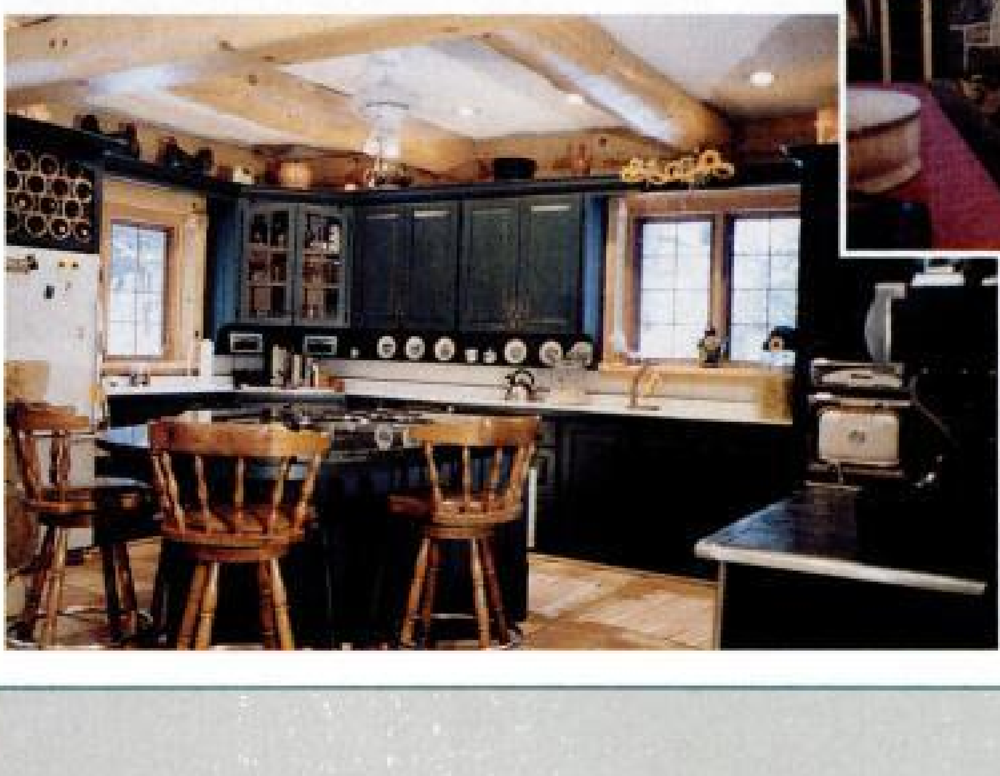
This particular home features a first-floor master suite, an open kitchen, dining and great room area along with a screened-in porch. Upstairs are three additional bedrooms and a loft.

Clients can choose from log shell, post and beam, weathertight or turn-key construction. Our trademark is customer satisfaction and remains the foundation of our company.

Irondale River
Square Footage: 3,600

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Modern Log Homes Ltd.

This open design features two lofts, four bedrooms, two stone fireplaces and an attached garage. The floors are a combination of hardwood, clay tile, natural stone and carpet. The hand-finished logs are bright, clean and irrisistable to touch.



The Glacier Retreat
Square Footage: 2,801

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Montana Rockies Log Homes Inc.

The Glacier Retreat is a 2,801-square-foot home featuring four bedrooms and two baths. On the loft level are three bedrooms, two balconies and a full bath. On the main floor, you will find a family room and the master bedroom. Montana Rockies Log Homes is dedicated to shaping your dreams, one log at a time.

The Ranch House
Square Footage: 4,000
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Although 70-foot logs were used in this home, from a distance it appears as a quaint little ranch house. This design began from a view off the deck and grew into this beautiful handcrafted home. The great room is open with massive log trusses in its vaulted ceiling and has stonework throughout.











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Nicola Log Works

A masonry fireplace is a very effective main source of heat in this open floorplan and the clerestory reaches up from the valley in which the house is located, bringing light into the building at all times of day.

A full walk-out basement offers additional space for activities. The loft area houses the master bedroom and a studio.

North Arrow Log Homes





North Arrow Log Homes

With the kitchen, dining and living room as one, this home has an open and spacious feel. Three full bedrooms plus a bonus room over the attached garage add to this plan. The king-post truss with triangle glass over the great room adds a unique custom design to this home.







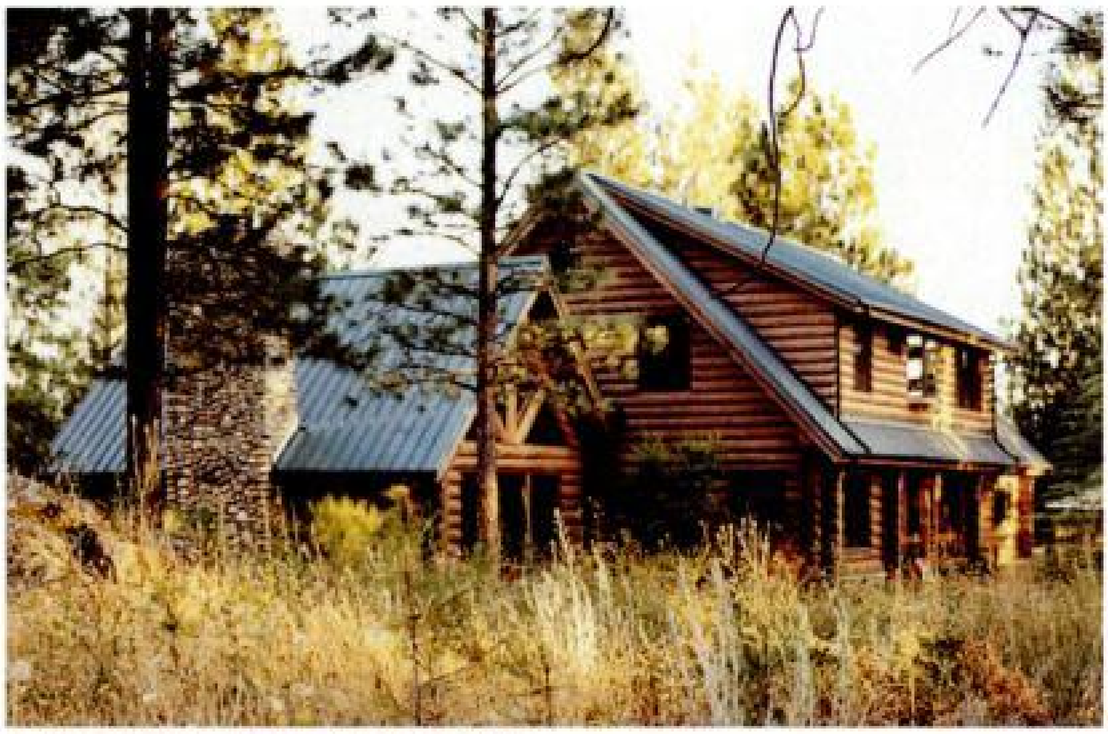
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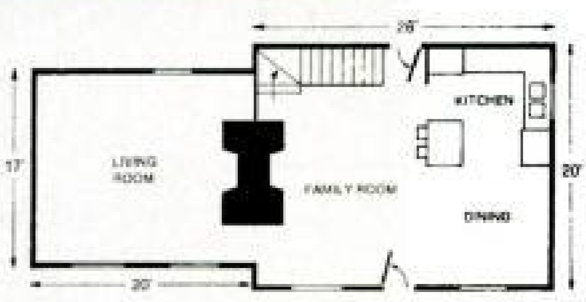
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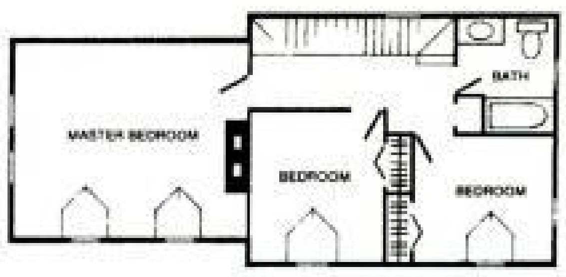
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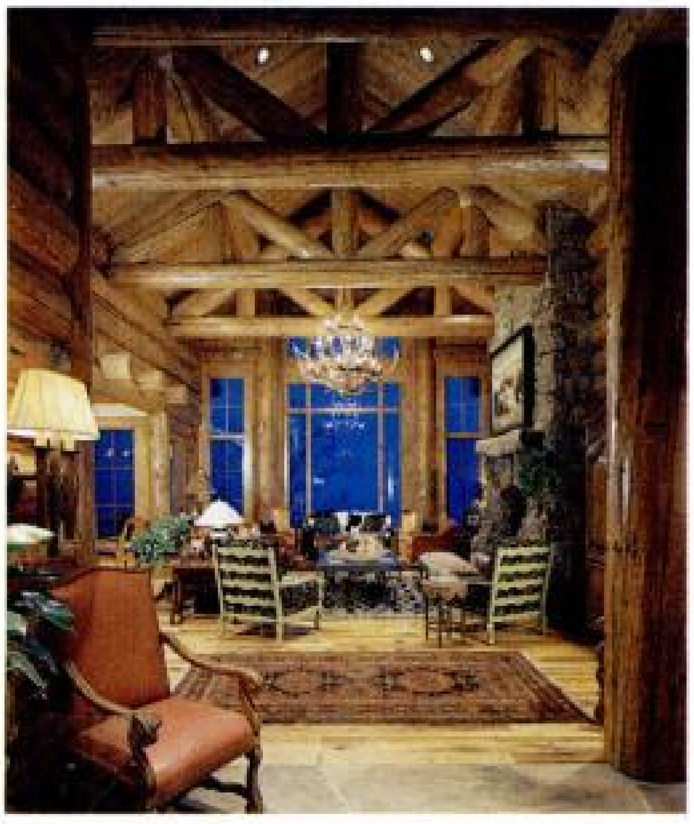


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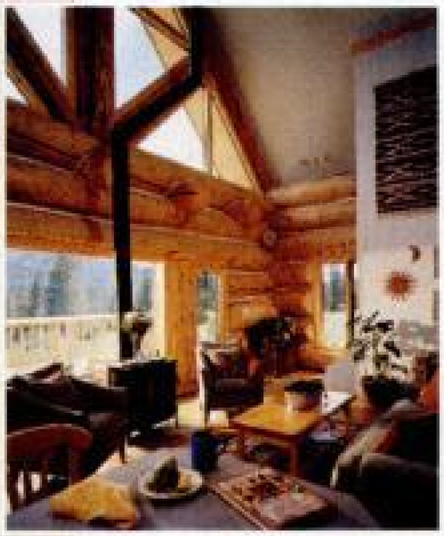
Rocky Mountain Log Homes' Handcrafted Division: Pioneer Log Homes

Only the finest naturally seasoned, dry-standing timber finds its way into a handcrafted Rocky home, such as this Colorado residence. Its Adirondack lodge-inspired details and use of massive native rock are given a homey warmth by hand-peeled log posts and walls.



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The Forester home features large-diameter logs and a steeply pitched roof. The interior has three bedrooms and two baths, a loft above the main level and an additional sleeping loft above the main loft. This home ranges between 1,500 to 2,500 square feet.



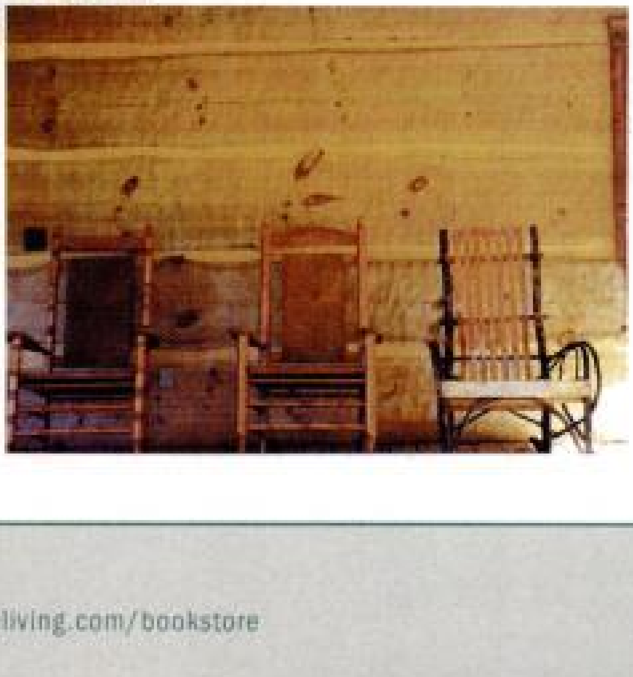
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This spacious 3,000-square-foot handcrafted home features a vaulted entry with a free-standing stone fireplace. The master bedroom opens to a full glass sunroom with plenty of room for a hot tub. This log style assures you the look of a 100-year-old vintage home, utilizing raw materials.



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This lovely home is not just beautiful but so very comfortable and spacious. You may want to situate this home on a full basement, but with its three bedrooms and three baths, it is perfect as is. With the kitchen/dining area so open and the awesome great room, this is not just another house, it is your home.

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Square Footage: 2,351

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1st Floor



2nd Floor





Paradise Mountain Log Homes

Paradise Mountain Log Homes

The Island Lake is a custom Scandinavian full-scribe home featuring large-diameter western red cedar logs. This beautiful three-bedroom home features an open floorplan that creates a sense of spaciousness with the kitchen, dining and great room areas designed to be the center of family activity. The large, open loft area allows for a spectacular view.

Island Lake
Square Footage: 2,328

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1st Floor



2nd Floor

Salmon River Log Homes

The entrance to the first-floor master suite is lined with aromatic cedar and leads to a spacious bedroom and bathroom with jetted tub, shower, double vanity and walk-in closet. A handcrafted staircase leads up to a loft, two additional bedrooms and a full bath. The redwood deck wraps around three sides of this beautiful home.

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Square Footage: 2,282

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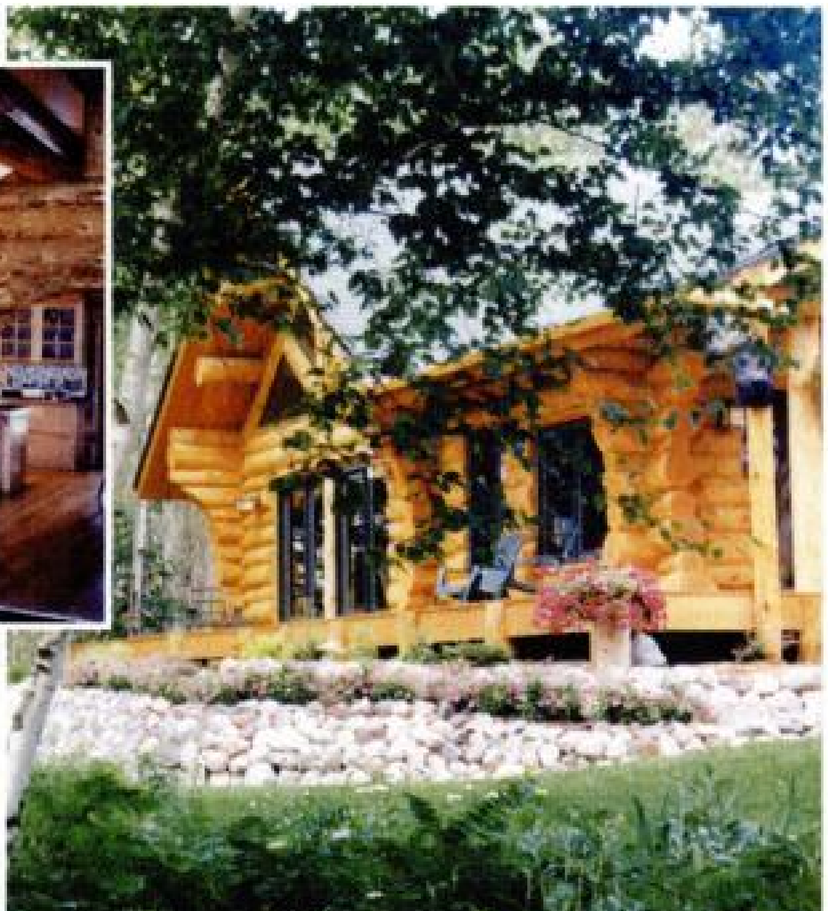
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Senty Handcrafted Log Homes

This home features a great room with expansive glass facing south toward Lake Superior. On cool nights the house is warmed by the split-rock fireplace. The loft, accessed by a set of log stairs with handcrafted log railings, overlooks the great room and is a favorite place for owners and guests.

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The Lodge
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Sierra Log Homes

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Timberstone Handcrafted Log Homes Ltd.



Timberstone Log Homes Limited

A main-floor master suite and two loft suites with a connecting sitting area make this spacious floorplan perfect for a family or guests. Log archways connect the sunroom, kitchen, dining room and great room. Log stairs and railings to the loft, a full basement and exterior decks add the finishing touches to this impressive log home.

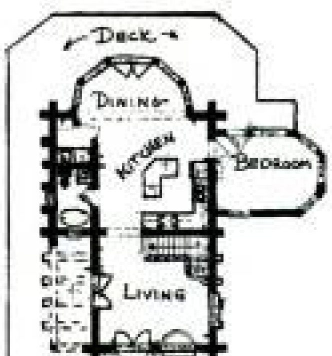
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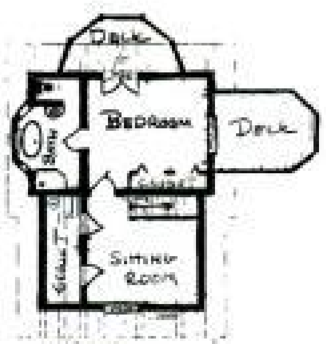
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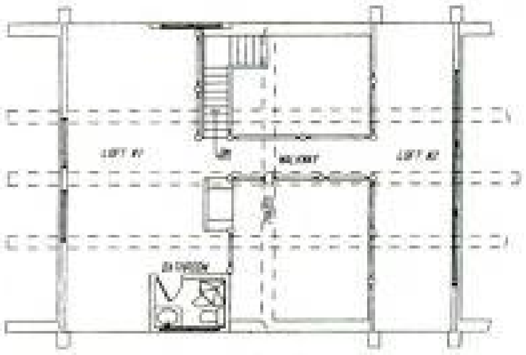


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The kitchen is the nucleus of the main level surrounded by a living room at the front of the home and a radial dining room and bedroom that share a view from the back.

True Log Homes has been building for more than 26 years and has designed many handcrafted homes of unique character.



Second Floor



First Floor

Tucker Mountain Log Homes

Relax on the front porch of the Barlage. This handcrafted log home has an open living space with a cathedral ceiling. A custom log staircase leads to two bedrooms and a bath upstairs. Other plans are available for viewing on our web site.

The Barlage
Square Footage: 1,680

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Walden 19th Century Antique Log Homes

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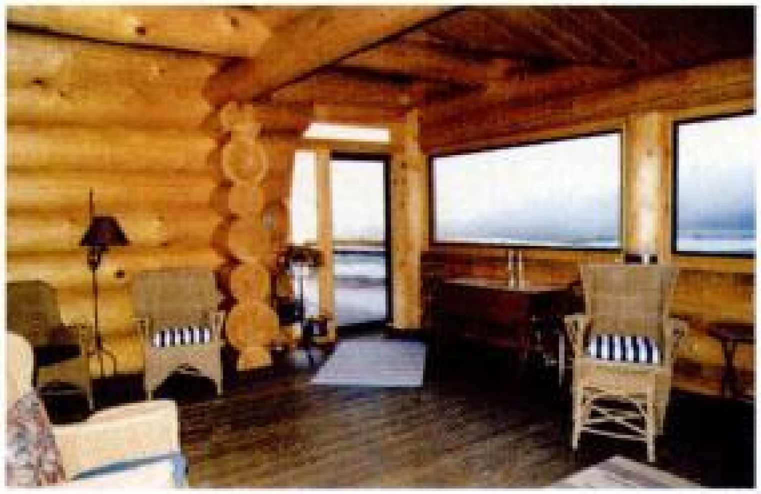
This home is an award-winning western cape design, featuring a western red cedar log post-and-beam structure. Natural finishes showcase the beauty of the timbers, ceiling and hardwood floors, while large expanses of gable and sunroom glass, interior design treatments and a vaulted great room bring the exterior surroundings in for all to enjoy.

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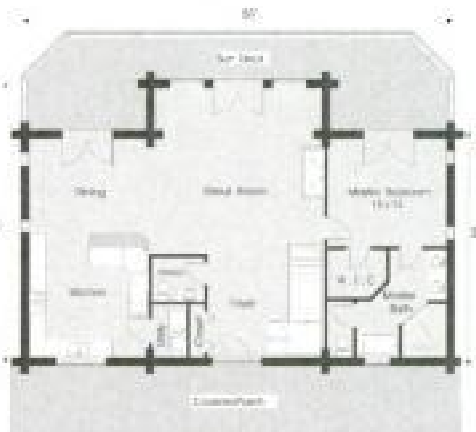
This custom-designed addition more than met the expectations of the owners. White pine logs, full-log gable ends and a dramatic log truss-and-purlin roof system provided the spacious great room and master bedrooms suite lacking in the original structure. Porches and large roof overhangs surround this hill-top estate.



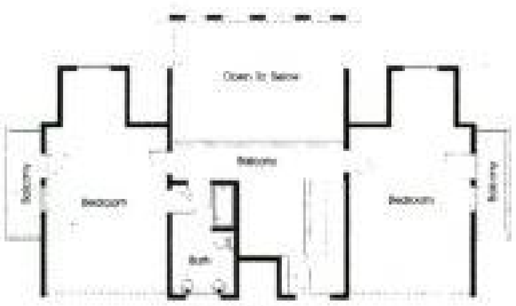
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WoodsCrest Log Homes

This elegant design has an inviting and open floorplan with a basement that features a two-car garage, recreational room and full bath. Handcrafted using spruce logs, the Jefferson is a beautiful and economical model to build at just $63,226. WoodsCrest Log Homes also provided the custom cedar windows and doors for this home.



1st Floor



2nd Floor

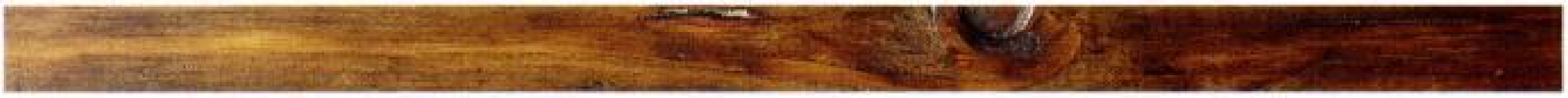
Jefferson
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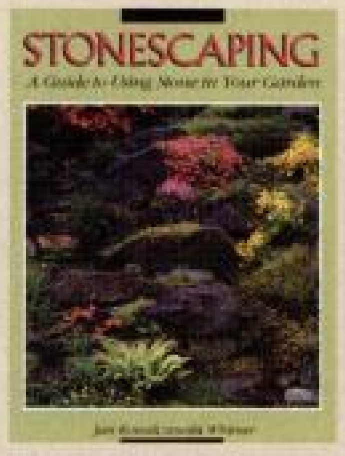
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A0338. The Owner-Built Log House. $24.95. By B. Allan Mackie. 2001 Paperback. 232 pages. In this illustrated book, the author takes the reader step by step through the building process, from the selection of land, the purchase and preparation of logs to sharpening of tools and the cutting, lifting and fitting of logs as well as all the steps in between.

A0415 Log Construction Manual. $32. By Robert W. Chambers. 2002 Paperback. 272 pages. This book tells you what you need to know to build your own handcrafted log home. It is full of information that is available nowhere else, including the Log Selection Rules and instructions for building hip and valley log rafters and roof trusses, plus so much more.

A0423. Cedar Homes: Ideas for Log & Timber Frame Designs. $39.95. By Tina Skinner & Roger Wade. 2003 Hardcover. 208 pages. Tour dozens of top-end log and timber frame homes, crafted from beautiful white cedar. Marvel at the great rooms, soaring ceilings and enormous fireplaces. The more than 350 color images will offer you countless ideas for baths, kitchens and over all decorating.

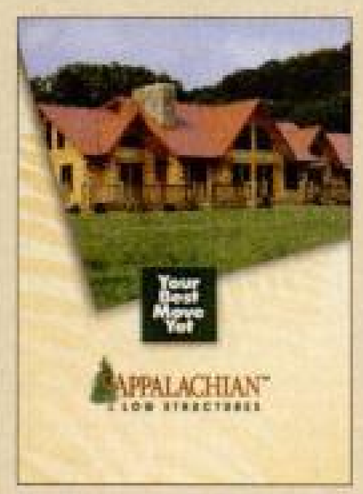
Planning Kits

A2004. Home Quick Planner. $25. By Design Works Inc. 2003. The planner includes floorplan grids and reusable peel-and-stick symbols with complete instructions.

A2005. 3-D Home Kit. $25. By Design Works Inc. 2003. Design and create a three-dimensional scale model of your dream home, addition or remodel using the 3-D Home Kit.

Plansbooks, Videos, CDs and DVDs

B105. Alta Log Homes. $6. This Halcottsville, New York, manufacturer's catalog, World Class Living, features a four-page color cover with more than 40 standard log homes.



B109. Appalachian Log Structures Inc. $12. Ripley, West Virginia, manufacturer provides a 90-page color portfolio that features more than 40 models and 60 color photos depicting its standard and custom-designed homes.

X109. Appalachian Log Structures Inc. Construction Video. $45. 27 min.

Y109. Appalachian Log Structures Inc. Company & Product Profile Video. $10. 7 min.

B173. American Log Homes Inc. $10. Bourbon, Missouri, and Pueblo West, Colorado, manufacturer's 100-page catalog is illustrated with 28 pages of color photos plus models and renderings for more than 55 home plans, weekend cabins and mini-cabins.

BX106. Amerlink Ltd. $14.95. More than 70 floorplans and 150 color photos of log homes, both inside and out, are included in this North Carolina manufacturer's 148-page, full-color Planning Guide.

B108. Appalachian Log Homes Inc. $10. Knoxville, Tennessee-based company's 16-page portfolio and insert pages feature information on floorplans, building procedures and erection services.

X108. Appalachian Log Homes Inc. Video. $10. 10 min.

B207. Bear Creek Log Homes Inc. $7.50. Gallatin Gateway, Montana, manufacturer's 24-page catalog features seven floorplans with color photos of finished models.

B187. Beaver Mountain Log & Cedar Homes. $18.95. Hancock, New York, manufacturer's new planning guide features full-color pictures, tips for custom designing your home, detailed material specifications, price lists and more than 50 floorplan ideas for both log and cedar homes.

B350. BigLog Homes. $25. Jefferson City, Missouri, handcrafter offers a 50-page catalog with 12 plans, dozens of beautiful photos and a forward written by Jim Cooper.

X350. BigLog Homes Video. $9.95. 17 min.

D350. BigLog Homes DVD. $9.95.

B330. Boone Log Homes Inc. $15.95. Sullivan, Indiana, manufacturer offers a 48-page catalog showcasing their most popular floorplans.

B303. Colonial Structures. $6. Winston-Salem, North Carolina, manufacturer's catalog features 28 floorplans for homes and commercial buildings.

X303. Colonial Structures Video. $10. 20 min.

BX303. Catalog & Video. $14.

B277. Country Autumn Log Homes Inc. $6. New Salisbury, Indiana, log home producer offers a catalog that features the company's model floorplans, complete with renderings.

B158. Country Log Homes. $7.50. Ashley Falls, Massachusetts, manufacturer offers its 66-page full-color Journal.

B288. Coventry Log Homes Inc. $8. Woodsville, New Hampshire, manufacturer's Cabin, Tradesman and Craftsman Series are all included in this 52-page plansbook packed with great designs and color photos.

B328. Deltec Homes. $12. Asheville, North Carolina, company's 98-page catalog features designs for circular dwellings.

B352. Expedition Log Homes Inc. $15. Oostburg, Wisconsin, manufacturer offers a three part series including a 55-page book of stories and photos, a Design Ideas catalog with 24 floorplans and Idea Specifications providing company information.

B304. Four Seasons Log Homes. $10. Parry Sound, Ontario, manufacturer's 71-page, plansbook features 46 designs and 94 floorplans.

B120. Gastineau Log Homes Inc. $20. New Bloomfield, Missouri, log home manufacturer's catalog features floorplans and sketches, plus a CD.

X120. Gastineau Log Homes Inc. Video. $8. 12 min.

BX120. Catalog & Video. $25.

B305. Golden Eagle Log Homes. $5.95. More than 40 floorplans and many beautiful exterior and interior photographs show the variety of styles and choices that this Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin, manufacturer offers in its homes.

X305. Golden Eagle Log Homes Video. $5.95. 30 min.

B319. Golden Log Homes. $15. This Denver, Colorado, manufacturer's 90-page plansbook includes renderings and sketches of all designs, plus a special look at their cabin series.

Y319. Golden Log Homes CD. $5. Complete catalog with 10 virtual tours.

B320. Habitat Post & Beam Homes. $12. South Deerfield, Massachusetts, manufacturer's 76-page catalog features beautiful, full-color photos of contemporary, traditional and custom post-and-beam homes and additions.

B124. Hearthstone Inc. $10. Dandridge, Tennessee, handcrafter's 56-page catalog contains color photography of interior and exterior home and commercial projects, 26 new home designs, information on the company's architectural design capabilities, material specifications and current pricing.

Y124. Hearthstone Inc. CD. $10.

FY124. Catalog & CD. $15.

B125. Heritage Log Homes Inc. $15. The award-winning catalog from this Sevierville, Tennessee, manufacturer includes a full-color, 80-page guide for designing a log home and 48 new floorplans.

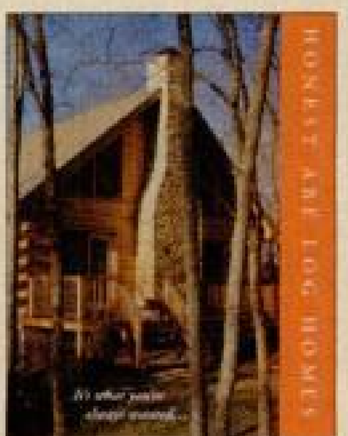
X125. Heritage Log Homes Inc. Video. $10. 30 min.

BX125. Catalog & Video. $19.95.

B189. Hiawatha Log Homes Inc. $14.95. Munising, Michigan, manufacturer's 100-page planbook includes 150 full-color images of beautifully photographed homes, technical information, floorplans and more.

B331. Hochstetler Milling Ltd. $10. This portfolio includes a full-color, 16-page planning guide, 14 popular floorplans and tells how you can save 30 to 60 percent on your new log home.

B182. Homestead Log Homes Inc. $10. Central Point, Oregon, manufacturer's 40 log home models are presented in this full-color, 96-page catalog with floorplans, photos, custom homes and descriptions of special features.



B175. Honest Abe Log Homes Inc. $15. Moss, Tennessee, manufacturer offers an 88-page catalog that introduces 50 model homes with a plan and rendering of each home.

B179. International Homes of Cedar Inc. $15. A 40-page color plansbook is offered by this Woodinville, Washington, manufacturer. It features more than 60 standard plans, pricing and stunning photography.

B111. Jim Barna Log Systems. $15. Oneida, Tennessee, manufacturer's 120-page color catalog features 76 floorplan designs with renderings.

B213. Katahdin Cedar Log Homes. $12. Oakfield, Maine, manufacturer's color folio answers frequently asked questions, describes the delivery and construction process and includes color photographs.

X213. Katahdin Cedar Log Homes "The Dream of Maine" Video. $14.95. 30 min.

BX190. Kuhns Bros. Log Homes Inc. $17. Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, manufacturer's 100-page portfolio features information about the company's logs, kiln drying, standard models, custom design and log home workshops interspersed with color photos and testimonials. Includes 12 minute company video.

B191. Laurentien Log Homes Ltd. $15. Fifty-page catalog from this Val-Morin, Quebec, manufacturer contains 39 floorplans with renderings and descriptions in English and French.

X191. Laurentien Log Homes Ltd. Video. $12. 11 min.



B130. Lincoln Logs Ltd., The Original $10. Chestertown, New York, manufacturer's Build a Better Life catalog is filled with 36 pages of color photographs and floorplans with renderings of 25 popular designs.

B128. Lindal Cedar Homes Inc. $14.95. Seattle, Washington, manufacturer's two-book set, containing 272 pages, features hundreds of full-color photos.

X128. Lindal Cedar Homes Inc. "How a Dream Comes to Life" Video. $9.95. 18 min.

Y128. Discover Lindal CD. $9.95.

B192. Lodge Logs Inc. $8. Boise, Idaho, manufacturer's plansbook and CD offer beautiful color photos and more than 40 floorplans.

B289. Log Knowledge Inc. $7. LaPorte, Colorado, handcrafter's 24-page catalog presents 20 floorplans and color renderings produced in-house by Log Knowledge's architectural design department.

B353. Logcrafter's Inc. $6. Pinedale, Wyoming, handcrafter offers a 16- page portfolio.

B132. Lok-N-Logs Inc. $12.95. Sherburne, New York, manufacturer's 80-page color catalog, Log Home Excellence, contains more than 40 standard floorplans, lists of materials, options and prices.

X132. Lok-N-Logs Inc. "The Cure for Cabin Fever" Video. $7.50. 35 min.

Y334. Lumberjack Log Homes Inc. CD. $10. Building a Boulder gives log home enthusiasts a slide show of Lumberjack Log Home's Boulder model being built from the ground up.

B133. Maple Island Log Homes. $12. Muskegon, Michigan, producer's 40-page portfolio features Maple Island's handcrafting process, design service, joinery methods, costs and 31 floorplans with renderings.

X133. Maple Island Log Homes Construction Video (PBS Hometime Cabin TV series condensed). $15. 140 min.

Y133. Maple Island Log Homes Construction Video (PBS Hometime Cabin TV series condensed). $15. 110 min.

YC133. Maple Island Log Homes CD. $5.

B354. Meadowlark Log Homes. $5. Libby, Montana, manufacturer's 40-page plansbook contains 25 floorplans with line drawings.

B197. Montana Log Homes. $15. Kalispell, Montana, handcrafter offers a new 60-page portfolio featuring 40 different standard and custom log home designs with renderings and beautiful color photographs.

X197. Montana Log Homes Video. $20. 17 min.

B165. Neville Log Homes. $15. Victor, Montana, and Kamloops, British Columbia, producer's 110-page catalog includes 40 pages of beautiful color photographs and 60 pages of floorplans with renderings.

B166. Northeastern Log Homes Inc. $15. Kenduskeag, Maine, manufacturer's Planning Portfolio features color photos of Premier series home interiors and exteriors, along with details about the company's expert, personalized service, innovative designs, superior quality materials and complete EasyBuild Package™.

B136. Old Virginia Hand Hewn Log Homes Inc. $7. Pennington Gap, Virginia, handcrafter's 28-page portfolio contains floorplans and photos for 17 models.

X136. Old Virginia Hand Hewn Log Homes Inc. Video. $10. 20 min.

BX194. The Original Log Cabin Homes Ltd. $14.95. Rocky Mount, North Carolina, manufacturer's 120-page Great American Adventure catalog contains, photos, illustrations and floorplans of nearly 80 standard home designs. Includes CD.

Y194. The Original Log Cabin Homes Ltd. $14.95. Includes video in lieu of CD.

B217. Original Log Homes Ltd. $10. 100 Mile House, British Columbia, handcrafter's 40-page catalog features floorplans and illustrations of 30 models.

X217. Original Log Homes Ltd. Video. $10. 10 min.

B295. Original Old Timer Log Homes & Supply Inc. $5. Mt. Juliet, Tennessee, manufacturer's 38-page catalog features 25 floorplans.

Y295. Original Old Timer Log Homes & Supply Inc. CD. $5

B222. Pinecraft Log Homes Inc. $12. Neenah, Wisconsin, manufacturer's 80-page portfolio contains floorplans for 70 designs.

B266. Pioneer Log Systems Inc. $10. Kingston Springs, Tennessee, manufacturer's 44-page package, The Best of Yesterday and Today, includes pricing, material specifications, a cross section of a sample home and 31 floorplans.

B247. Pioneer Logs Ltd. $5. Singhampton, Ontario, handcrafter's 10-page package contains color photos, renderings, floorplans and package prices of seven homes and one cabin.

B139. Rapid River Rustic Cedar Log Homes. $10. Rapid River, Michigan, manufacturer's portfolio features 30 models with floorplans and renderings that are priced in four different home series.

B141. Real Log Homes®. $10. Hartland, Vermont, manufacturer's 100-page plansbook contains more than 34 floorplans and designs along with gorgeous color photography.

F104. Riverbend Timber Framing. $20. The 2003 edition of this popular plansbook includes a whole house construction guide, floorplans and more than 50 beautiful photos.

B177. Satterwhite Log Homes. $10. Longview, Texas, manufacturer and builder's new 84-page catalog contains more than 35 of their popular, easy-to-customize floorplans, color renderings, color photos and technical information.

X177. Satterwhite Log Homes Video. $5. 30 min.

B290. Senty Handcrafted Log Homes. $7.50. Grand Marais, Minnesota, handcrafter offers a catalog detailing the company, building material, log construction methods, corner joining systems, ceiling joists and roof systems, planning services, a typical log shell package and options.

B147. Southland Log Homes Inc. $8.50. The 52-page guide from this Irmo, South Carolina, manufacturer includes color interior and exterior photos for each of its 11 models and 26 floorplans.

B178. StoneMill Log Homes. $10. The catalog and planning guide of the Knoxville, Tennessee, manufacturer contains an informational brochure and 27 standard floorplans with pricing information.

X178. StoneMill Log Homes "A Tradition of Quality" Video. $10. 13 min.

B249. Suwannee River Log Homes. $10. This 80-page planning guide from the Wellborn, Florida, manufacturer includes information on the company's preferred wood species—cypress and cedar—and log styles.

X249. Suwannee River Log Homes Video. $10. 15 min.

X185. Tennessee Log Homes Inc. Video. $10. 15 min.

B219. Tomahawk Log & Country Homes Inc. $15. Tomahawk, Wisconsin, manufacturer's 152-page catalog has 150 full-color photos, 80 floorplans and illustrations of standard models.

B333. Treehouse Log Homes of the NW. $12. Salem, Oregon, producer's guide makes the planning of your custom log home a success, beginning with the purchase of your land and pouring the foundation.

B307. True North Log Homes Inc. $15. The plansbook from this Ontario, Canada, manufacturer contains more than 100 stunning photographs and answers, in detail, many of the commonly asked questions posed by log home enthusiasts.

B152. Ward Cedar Log Homes. $12. Houlton, Maine, manufacturer's new 70-page color catalog features interior and exterior photos and floorplans, descriptions and drawings of more than 30 model homes, eight cabins and detached garages.

B155. Wilderness Log Homes. $15. Plymouth, Wisconsin, manufacturer's award-winning catalog features 67 full-color photos of interiors and 48 3-D floorplans.

B355. WoodsCrest Log Homes. $10. The planning guide from this Breckenridge, Colorado, handcrafter includes 14 floorplans with renderings, pricing and all the planning details you need to build your log home.

X355. WoodsCrest Log Homes Video. $6.50. 10 min.

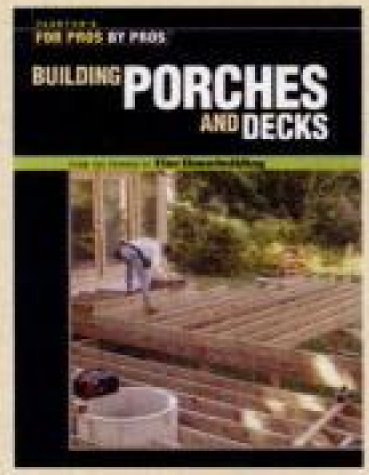
Y355. WoodsCrest Log Homes CD. $5.95.

B206. Yellowstone Log Homes. $6. Rigby, Idaho, manufacturer's catalog showcases more than 30 full-color photos and 34 models.

Porches, Decks & Fences

A0411. Building a Deck. $19.95. By Scott Schuttner. 2002 Paperback. 186 pages. Advice to plan and build a custom deck, provided by professional carpenter and deck builder Scott Schuttner, from initial sketches to the final details.

A0332. Decks. $16.95. By Steve Cory. 2001 Paperback. 191 pages. Includes three in-depth deck plans and more than 450 photographs.



A0419. Building Porches and Decks. $17.95. By the publishers of Fine Homebuilding. 2003 Paperback. 156 pages. Decks and porches add beauty and value to a house and must be properly designed and built to stand up to the weather. In this book you will find advice on materials and details, along with design ideas for all sorts of porches and decks.

A5001. A Portfolio of Fence & Gate Ideas. $9.95. By Creative Publishing International. 1996 Paperback. 96 pages. Helpful instructions, design tips and building code information complement the more than 150 color photographs.

A5003. A Portfolio of Deck Ideas. $9.95. By Creative Publishing International. 1993 Paperback. 96 pages. This book contains color photos of decks, accessories, gazebos and other outdoor structures.

Renovation

A0406. Terence Conran's House & Garden Design Projects. $24.95. By Terence Conran. 2002 Paperback. 412 pages. Take do-it-yourself projects outdoors with strategies for gardens large and small.

A0404. Take Charge of Your Home Renovation. $16. By Susan Boyle Hillstrom and the editors of *House Beautiful*. 2001 Paperback. 202 pages. Everything you need to know for a successful home renovation or remodeling.

A0425. Be Your Own Home Renovation Contractor. $16.95. By Carl Heldmann. 1998 Paperback. 165 pages. This book is written in simple reassuring language, and is full of sample contracts, insurance certificates, blueprints, inspection reports and sensible advice. It is a very useful guide for the non-builder.

Specialty Decorating

A0333. Decorating with Tile. $19.95. By Margaret Sabo Wills. 2003 Paperback. 175 pages. Whether you choose a colorful motif or a simple pattern, this picturesque guide is full of designs that will quench your taste for tile.

A0336. Color in the American Home. $19.95. By Margaret Sabo Wills. 1998 Paperback. 175 pages. Learn how to use color in your home just like a professional interior designer.

A0335. The Smart Approach to Window Decor. $19.95. By Lynn Elliot and Lisa Lent. 2000 Paperback. 175 pages. If you have the desire to decorate your windows but your creative flow has ceased, this book will recharge your imagination.

Products and Services

Compare log home companies and the services they offer

This guide to the products and services offered by 156 log home manufacturers and handcrafters in North America contains:

Company Information. Producer is listed by name, state or province where plant is located, year founded and whether it produces handcrafted or manufactured logs or both. Next is the number of homes produced since the founding and the number of builder-dealer representatives in its marketing area, using the keys at the top left of each chart.

Market Area. Using the map on page 310, producers selected areas where they sell the most homes. Many companies can ship anywhere, so don't rule out a company just because it doesn't actively market in your area.

Wood Species. The chart lists species each company most often uses.

Moisture Content and Preservative. The first column refers to how the logs are dried prior to shipment. The next two columns refer to the logs' average moisture content just prior to shipment. The last column tells how logs are normally treated with preservative prior to shipping. Again, always specify before shipment whether you want your logs treated or untreated.

Log Type. Full logs are solid-wood logs between 4 and 24 inches in diameter. Half logs are generally 3 to 5 inches thick, with or without full-log corners, usually installed over 2-by-4-inch or 2-by-6-inch stud frame insulated walls. Log siding is normally 1- to 3-inch-thick log planks used to cover rim joists, garage walls and gable ends of homes.

Cutting Detail. Refers to the degree logs are cut for corners, log lengths, window and door openings and gable ends. Precut means the home can be assembled without onsite cutting. Not cut, rough cut or square cut indicate some cutting is required onsite. Not available indicates the producer does not normally supply full logs for the gable ends.

Log Profiles. Refers to the various log profiles, or shapes, normally offered by the log home producer.

Log Heights and Widths. Refers to the various log heights and widths offered by the log home producer.

Horizontal Surfaces. There are generally three basic types of horizontal interface surfaces: round, tongue and groove, and flat. This section refers to the type of horizontal interface surface or to the log style that is normally supplied by the producer. Some producers offer several different log styles.

Corner Style. Log home producers offer six basic corner intersection styles. We list the styles the producer usually supplies.

Fastener Type. There are six basic fastening devices used to join logs in a wall.

Sealing System Type. There are six types of sealing materials, including none, used between logs.

Code Compliance. There are three ways a producer can certify its plans meet the requirements of building codes where you intend to build: by a company official, by a licensed or registered engineer or architect who has reviewed the plans, or by one or more of the three national building code agencies (ICBO, BOCA or SBCCI), which have reviewed the building system. In all cases, local building officials where you plan to build are the final authority.

Other Services. This section refers to other services log home producers provide, as follows:

- **Log Grade.** Logs are graded in accordance with an independent log-grading program—not an in-house grading system.
- **Log Warranty.** Producer offers a written product warranty on its logs.
- **Design Service.** Company offers home design services.
- **Finance Service.** Company offers some form of home financing.
- **Construction Manual.** Company offers a construction manual or videotape to aid in construction of its homes.
- **Technical Services.** Company offers a specific number of hours of onsite technical assistance as part of its contract.
- **Shell Erection Service.** Company will erect shell on request.
- **Complete Construction Service.** The company provides complete home construction service on request. Despite our best efforts to assure accurate information, we recommend you check with the log home producer prior to entering into any agreement.
- **Email and Web Site.** Check the Producers Directory or contact a company directly for its email or web site address.

Homes Produced Since Founding

KEY	NUMBER
A	0-49
B	50-99
C	100-249
D	250-499
E	500-999
F	1,000-2,499
G	2,500-4,999
H	5,000-9,999
I	10,000 & over

Number of Builder/Dealers

KEY	NUMBER
1	None
2	1-9
3	10-24
4	25-49
5	50-99
6	100 & over

		Company Information					Market Area				Wood Species									Moisture Content & Preservative			
Line #	COMPANY NAME	State or province	Year founded	Manufacturer (1) Handcrafter (2) Both (3)	Number of homes produced	Number of builder/dealers	Northeast (1) Southeast (2) Both (3)	Great Lakes (1) Midwest (2) Both (3)	South Central (1) West (2) Both (3)	Canada (1) International (2) Both (3)	White cedar (1) Western red cedar (2) Both (3)	Cypress (1) Redwood (2) Both (3)	Douglas fir (1) Eastern fir (2) Both (3)	Hemlock (1) Larch (2) Both (3)	White pine (1) Lodgepole pine (2) Both (3)	Red pine (1) Southern yellow pine (2) Both (3)	Eastern spruce (1) Engelmann spruce (2) Both (3)	Oak (1) Walnut (2) Both (3)	Ponderosa pine (1) Poplar (2) Both (3)	DRYING METHOD: Air (1) Kiln (2) Both (3) Standing dead (4)	MOISTURE: 15% or below (1) 16 to 19% (2) Both (3)	CONTENT: 20 to 25% (1) 26 to 30% (2) Both (3)	PRESERVATIVE: None (1) EPA-approved (2) Either (3)
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Line #	Log Type		Cutting Detail			Log Profiles					Log Height & Width				Horizontal Surface			Corner Style			Fastener Type			Sealing System Type			Code Compliance			Other Services					Line #
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3	1	1	1	1	1		3	3	1		2		3		2				1			4		1		1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3		3
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23	1	1	1	1			1	3	3		2	1	3		1			2	3		1	1		2	3			1			1	3		3	23

Homes Produced Since Founding

KEY	NUMBER
A	0-49
B	50-99
C	100-249
D	250-499
E	500-999
F	1,000-2,499
G	2,500-4,999
H	5,000-9,999
I	10,000 & over

Number of Builder/Dealers

KEY	NUMBER
1	None
2	1-9
3	10-24
4	25-49
5	50-99
6	100 & over

Line #	COMPANY NAME	Company Information					Market Area				Wood Species									Moisture Content & Preservative			
		State or province	Year founded	Manufacturer (1) Handcrafter (2) Both (3)	Number of homes produced	Number of builder/dealers	Northeast (1) Southeast (2) Both (3)	Great Lakes (1) Midwest (2) Both (3)	South Central (1) West (2) Both (3)	Canada (1) International (2) Both (3)	White cedar (1) Western red cedar (2) Both (3)	Cypress (1) Redwood (2) Both (3)	Douglas fir (1) Eastern fir (2) Both (3)	Hemlock (1) Larch (2) Both (3)	White pine (1) Lodgepole pine (2) Both (3)	Red pine (1) Southern yellow pine (2) Both (3)	Eastern spruce (1) Engelmann spruce (2) Both (3)	Oak (1) Walnut (2) Both (3)	Ponderosa pine (1) Poplar (2) Both (3)	DRYING METHOD: Air (1) Kiln (2) Both (3) Standing dead (4)	MOISTURE: 15% or below (1) 16 to 19% (2) Both (3)	CONTENT: 20 to 25% (1) 26 to 30% (2) Both (3)	PRESERVATIVE: None (1) EPA-approved (2) Either (3)
24	Bridger Mountain Log Homes Inc.	MT	89	3	D	4	3	3	3	1	2		1		3		2			4	1		1
25	Bullock & Company Master Craftsmen	ON	80	2	D	2	3	3	3	3			1		1					1		2	2
26	Caledon Log Homes	ON	85	1	D	4	3	3	3	3	2				1					1	2		2
27	Caribou Creek Log Homes Inc.	ID	89	2	D	1	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	3	3		2		1	1/4	2		2
28	Centennial Log Homes & Furnishings	MT	72	2	D	2	3	3	3				1		2		2			1	3		1
29	Clearwater Log Homes	ID	81	2	D	2	3	3	3	3	2		1	2	3		2			4	1		3
30	Colonial Structures	NC	82	1	G	5	3	3	3	3	3									3	1		1
31	Conestoga Log Cabins	PA	95	1	F	1	3	3	3	3						2	1			2	1		1
32	Contemporary Log Homes LLC	AZ	78	1	D	2	3	3	3	1			1		2				1	4	1		1
33	Country Autumn Log Homes Inc.	IN	90	1	D	3	2	3	2		3				1	2				1		1	1
34	Country Log Cabins	PA	96	1	D	5	3	3	1	3				1	1					3	1	1	3
35	Country Log Homes Inc.	MA	78	1	F	4	3	3	3						1	1				1		3	2
36	Coventry Log Homes Inc.	NH	93	1	D	1	3	3	3						1					3	3		1
37	Daniel Boone Log Homes Inc.	TN	85	1	F	4	3	3	3		2				3		2		1	3	2		1
38	Expedition Log Homes LLC	WI	00	1	C	3	3	3	3		1		1		3	1				3/4	2	3	3
39	Fireside Log Homes	GA	84	1	G	3	2				2	1			1							1	2
40	Four Seasons Log Homes	ON	77	1	E	2				3					1					2	1		1
41	Frontier Homes Inc.	MT	77	2	C	2	1	3	2						2		2			4	3		1
42	Gable Log Homes Inc.	SC	82	1	E	3	2		2			1			1	2		1		2			2
43	Gastineau Log Homes	MO	77	1	G	5	3	3	3	3	2				2	2		3		3	2	1	1
44	George R. White Lumber Company	PA	78	1	D	2	3	2		2	3				1					3	2		1
45	Glu-Lam-Log Inc.	MT	84	1	F	5	3	3	3	3	2		1		3				1	3/4	1		1
46	Golden Eagle Log Homes	WI	66	1	E	3	3	3	3		2				1	1			1	3	2		1

	Log Type		Cutting Detail			Log Profiles					Log Height & Width				Horizontal Surface			Corner Style			Fastener Type			Sealing System Type			Code Compliance			Other Services					
	Full logs (1) Half logs (2) Both (3)	Log siding (1) Laminated logs (2) Both (3)	CORNERS: Precut (1) Not cut (2) Both (3)	LOG LENGTHS: Precut (1) Rough cut (2) Both (3)	GABLE ENDS: Precut (1) Square cut (2) Either (3)	Full round (1) Swedish cope (2) Both (3)	Flat - inside (1) Round - inside (2) Both (3)	Flat - outside (1) Round - outside (2) Both (3)	Rectangular (1) Lap siding (2) Both (3)	Hand peeled (1) Hand hewn (2) Both (3) Other (4)	HEIGHTS: 4" - 6" (1) 7" - 9" (2) Both (3)	HEIGHTS: 10" or larger (1)	WIDTHS: 4" - 6" (1) 7" - 9" (2) Both (3)	WIDTHS: 10" or larger (1)	T & G TYPE: Single (1) Double/Triple (2) Both (3)	ROUND TYPE: Full round (1) Swedish cope (2) Both (3)	FLAT TYPE: Flat on flat (1) Flat/Spline groove (2) Both (3)	Saddle notch (1) Dovetail (2) Both (3)	Interlock (1) Butt & pass (2) Both (3)	Corner post butt (1) Notch & pass (2) Both (3)	Spikes (1) Nails (2) Both (3)	Through bolts (1) Lag screws (2) Both (3) Other (4)	Dowels/drift pins (1) Adhesives (2) Both (3)	Caulking (1) Chinking (2) Both (3)	Foam gasket (1) Adhesives (2) Both (3)	Spline (1) Other (2) Both (3)	Certified by company	Certified by engineer or architect	Evaluated by ICBO, BOCA or SBCCI	Logs graded (1) Warranty (2) Both (3)	Design service (1) Finance service (2) Both (3)	Construction manual (1) Technical service (2) Both (3)	Shell erection (1) Complete construction (2) Both (3)	Email (1) Web site (2) Both (3)	Line #
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25	1		1	1		3				3		1		1		3		3					1	2			1	1		2	1	2	1		25
26	1	1	1	1	1		1	3			1		2		2			1				2			1	1		1		2	1	3	3	3	26
27	1		1	1	1	3	3	3	1	3		1		1		3		3				1	1	1	1	1		1		1	1	2	1	3	27
28	1		1	1		1				3		1		1				1				1	1	2			1			1	1	2	3	3	28
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30	3	1	3	1	2	3	3	3	2	2	3	1	3		3	3	1	3	3	3	3		2	3	3		1			2	3	3		3	30
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33	3	1	1	1	2	1	3	3	3	3	3	1	3	1	2	1	3	3	2			4		3	1					2	1	2	3		33
34	1		1	1	1		3	3			3		1		1				3	1	1	2	2	3	3	1		1		1	1	1	1	3	34
35	3	1	1	1	1		3	3	2	1	1		2	1	1				1			2		1	1			1		2	3	3	3	3	35
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42	3	1	1	1	2		3	3	3	1	3	1	3		2			2	3	1				2											42
43	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	1		3	1	3	1	1	3	3	3	3	1		3	2	3	2	1	1			3	3	3	3	3	43
44	3	1	3	3	3	1	3	3	2	2	2	1	3		3				2		3	2		1	3	1	1	1			1		3		44
45	1	3	2	2	2		3	3	3		3	1	3		3	1	3		3	1		2		3	1				1	1		1		3	45
46	3	1	3	2	2		3	3	1	1	2	1	2		2		2		2	1		2	3	3	3	1	1			2	1	3	3	3	46

Homes Produced Since Founding

KEY	NUMBER
A	0-49
B	50-99
C	100-249
D	250-499
E	500-999
F	1,000-2,499
G	2,500-4,999
H	5,000-9,999
I	10,000 & over

Number of Builder/Dealers

KEY	NUMBER
1	None
2	1-9
3	10-24
4	25-49
5	50-99
6	100 & over

Line #	COMPANY NAME	Company Information					Market Area				Wood Species									Moisture Content & Preservative			
		State or province	Year founded	Manufacturer (1) Handcrafter (2) Both (3)	Number of homes produced	Number of builder/dealers	Northeast (1) Southeast (2) Both (3)	Great Lakes (1) Midwest (2) Both (3)	South Central (1) West (2) Both (3)	Canada (1) International (2) Both (3)	White cedar (1) Western red cedar (2) Both (3)	Cypress (1) Redwood (2) Both (3)	Douglas fir (1) Eastern fir (2) Both (3)	Hemlock (1) Larch (2) Both (3)	White pine (1) Lodgepole pine (2) Both (3)	Red pine (1) Southern yellow pine (2) Both (3)	Eastern spruce (1) Engelmann spruce (2) Both (3)	Oak (1) Walnut (2) Both (3)	Ponderosa pine (1) Poplar (2) Both (3)	DRYING METHOD: Air (1) Kiln (2) Both (3) Standing dead (4)	MOISTURE: 15% or below (1) 16 to 19% (2) Both (3)	CONTENT: 20 to 25% (1) 26 to 30% (2) Both (3)	PRESERVATIVE: None (1) EPA-approved (2) Either (3)
47	Golden Log Homes	CO	75	1	E	3	3	3	3	3					2		2			4	1		1
48	Grand Lake Log Homes Inc.	CO	73	2	D	1	1	3	2								2			4	1		1
49	Granite State Log Homes Inc.	NH	95	2	D	2	1								1					1	2		1
50	GreatLand Log Homes	CO	92	2	B	1	3	3	3	3	2		1		2		2			1/4	2		1
51	Greystokes International	BC	96	1	E	4	3	3	3	3	2				2								
52	Heartbilt Homes Inc.	IL	70	1	F	3	3	3	3	2	2		1		1		2	1	1	3	3		1
53	Hearthstone Inc.	TN	71	3	G	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	3	1			1	2	1		2	3
54	Heritage Log Homes Inc.	TN	74	1	H	6	3	3	3	3	3	1			1	2				3	2	1	2
55	Hiawatha Log Homes	MI	83	1	E	4	3	3	3		1					1				2	1		1
56	Highlands Log Structures Inc.	VA	95	2	A	1	3	3						1	1							2	2
57	Hochstetler Milling Ltd.	OH	86	1	E	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1		1	3				3	2		1
58	Holland Log & Cedar Homes	MI	82	1	D	2	3	3	3		1				1					2	1		1
59	Homestead Log Homes Inc.	OR	78	3	E	3		2	3	3			1		2					1	1		2
60	Honest Abe Log Homes Inc.	TN	79	1	G	5	3	3	3	3	2				1					2		1	1
61	Howard Williamson Custom Log Homes Ltd.	BC	84	2	C	2		2	2	3			1				2			1		1	1
62	In The Woods Inc.	NC	99	3	B	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	1		3		2			3	1		2
63	International Homes of Cedar Inc.	WA	66	1	G	4	3	3	3	3	2								1	2	1		1
64	Jim Barna Log Systems	TN	76	3	H	6	3	3	3	3		1			1	2				2		1	2
65	Katahdin Cedar Log Homes	ME	73	1	H	5	3	3	3	3	1				1					1	1		1
66	Koski Log Homes	MI	84	2	A	1		1							1	1				1			2
67	Kuhns Bros. Log Homes Inc.	PA	83	1	G	6	3	3	3	3	2				1					2	1		2
68	Kwik-Kit	ON	92	2	B	2	3	3	3	1					1					1			2
69	Lake Country Log Homes	BC	89	3	F	2	1	1	2	3	2		1				2			1	2		2

	Log Type		Cutting Detail			Log Profiles					Log Height & Width				Horizontal Surface			Corner Style			Fastener Type			Sealing System Type			Code Compliance			Other Services					
	Full logs (1) Half logs (2) Both (3)	Log siding (1) Laminated logs (2) Both (3)	CORNERS: Precut (1) Not cut (2) Both (3)	LOG LENGTHS: Precut (1) Rough cut (2) Both (3)	GABLE ENDS: Precut (1) Square cut (2) Either (3)	Full round (1) Swedish cope (2) Both (3)	Flat - inside (1) Round - inside (2) Both (3)	Flat - outside (1) Round - outside (2) Both (3)	Rectangular (1) Lap siding (2) Both (3)	Hand peeled (1) Hand hewn (2) Both (3) Other (4)	HEIGHTS: 4" - 6" (1) 7" - 9" (2) Both (3)	HEIGHTS: 10" or larger (1)	WIDTHS: 4" - 6" (1) 7" - 9" (2) Both (3)	WIDTHS: 10" or larger (1)	T & G TYPE: Single (1) Double/Triple (2) Both (3)	ROUND TYPE: Full round (1) Swedish cope (2) Both (3)	FLAT TYPE: Flat on flat (1) Flat/Spline groove (2) Both (3)	Saddle notch (1) Dowetail (2) Both (3)	Interlock (1) Butt & pass (2) Both (3)	Corner post butt (1) Notch & pass (2) Both (3)	Spikes (1) Nails (2) Both (3)	Through bolts (1) Lag screws (2) Both (3) Other (4)	Dowels/drift pins (1) Adhesives (2) Both (3)	Caulking (1) Chinking (2) Both (3)	Foam gasket (1) Adhesives (2) Both (3)	Spline (1) Other (2) Both (3)	Certified by company	Certified by engineer or architect	Evaluated by ICBO, BOCA or SBCCI	Logs graded (1) Warranty (2) Both (3)	Design service (1) Finance service (2) Both (3)	Construction manual (1) Technical service (2) Both (3)	Shell erection (1) Complete construction (2) Both (3)	Email (1) Web site (2) Both (3)	Line #
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66	1	1	1	1		3				1		1		1		2		1	1			1	1	1	1			1		2	1		1	3	66
67	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	2	3	1	3		3	2		3	1	3	3	2	2	3	3	1	1	1		3	3	3		3	67
68	1		1	1	1					3		1		1		2	2	3				2	1	2	1		1			2	1	2	1	3	68
69	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3		1	3	1	3	1	2	2		1	1			3		1	1	2				1	1	1	3	3	69

Homes Produced Since Founding

KEY	NUMBER
A	0-49
B	50-99
C	100-249
D	250-499
E	500-999
F	1,000-2,499
G	2,500-4,999
H	5,000-9,999
I	10,000 & over

Number of Builder/Dealers

KEY	NUMBER
1	None
2	1-9
3	10-24
4	25-49
5	50-99
6	100 & over

Line #	COMPANY NAME	Company Information: State or province	Year founded	Manufacturer (1) Handcrafter (2) Both (3)	Number of homes produced	Number of builder/dealers	Market Area: Northeast (1) Southeast (2) Both (3)	Great Lakes (1) Midwest (2) Both (3)	South Central (1) West (2) Both (3)	Canada (1) International (2) Both (3)	Wood Species: White cedar (1) Western red cedar (2) Both (3)	Cypress (1) Redwood (2) Both (3)	Douglas fir (1) Eastern fir (2) Both (3)	Hemlock (1) Larch (2) Both (3)	White pine (1) Lodgepole pine (2) Both (3)	Red pine (1) Southern yellow pine (2) Both (3)	Eastern spruce (1) Engelmann spruce (2) Both (3)	Oak (1) Walnut (2) Both (3)	Ponderosa pine (1) Poplar (2) Both (3)	Moisture Content & Preservative: DRYING METHOD: Air (1) Kiln (2) Both (3) Standing dead (4)	MOISTURE: 15% or below (1) 16 to 19% (2) Both (3)	CONTENT: 20 to 25% (1) 26 to 30% (2) Both (3)	PRESERVATIVE: None (1) EPA-approved (2) Either (3)
70	Laurentien Log Homes Ltd.	PQ	74	1	F	2	3			3	3				1					1		2	2
71	Legacy Log Homes Inc.	MT	94	2	D	2	1	3	3	2			1	2	2		2			4	2		1
72	Legendary Logcrafters Limited	ON	92	2	B	2	3	3	3	1					1					1		2	2
73	Lincoln Logs Ltd., the Original	NY	77	1	I	5	3	3	3	3	2		1		3		2		1	3/4	3		2
74	Lindal Cedar Homes Inc.	WA	45	1	I	6	3	3	3	3	2								2	2	1		2
75	Lodge Logs Inc.	ID	75	3	H	4	3	3	3	3	2		1		2		2		1	2/4	1		1
76	Log Homes of America Inc.	NC	89	1	F	4	3	3	2		2		1		3		2			2		1	1
77	Log Knowledge Inc.	CO	74	3	E	2		3	3				1		2		2			1/4	2		1
78	Log Structures of the South	FL	80	1	G	6	3	2	3	3	3	1	3		1	2	1			3	2		1
79	Logcrafters Inc.	WY	75	2	E	2	3	3	3	3			1	2	2		2			4	1		1
80	Logcrafters Log & Timber Homes Inc.	MT	79	2	D	2	3	3	3	3			1		1					4	2		1
81	Logs UP Log Homes LLC	MI	61	1	F	4	3	3			1				1	1	1			2	3		1
82	Lok-N-Logs Inc.	NY	75	1	G	5	3	3	3	3					1	1				3		1	2
83	Lumberjack Log Homes Inc.	MT	81	1	E	2	3	3	3						2					4	2		1
84	Maple Island Log Homes	MI	78	2	F	2	3	3	3	3					1	1				1	3		1
85	Meadow Valley Log Homes	WI	84	1	E	1		3			2				1					1	2		2
86	Meadowlark Log Homes	MT	79	2	E	2	3	2	2	2				2	2		2			1/4	1		2
87	Merrimac Log Homes	NH	01	1	D	2	3	3	1	3					1					2	2		1
88	Modern Log Homes Ltd.	ON	82	2	C	2	1	1		1					1					1		2	2
89	Montana Log Homes	MT	75	2	D	2	3	3	3						2		2			4	2		1
90	Montana Rockies Log Homes Inc.	MT	85	2	C	2			2				1	2	3		2		1	1/4		1	1
91	Moose Log Homes	WI	82	1	D	4	3	3	3	3					1	1				3			
92	Moose Mountain Log Homes Inc.	AB	78	2	C	1		3	2	3	2		1		2		2			1	3		2

	Log Type		Cutting Detail			Log Profiles					Log Height & Width				Horizontal Surface			Corner Style			Fastener Type			Sealing System Type			Code Compliance			Other Services					
	Full logs (1) Half logs (2) Both (3)	Log siding (1) Laminated logs (2) Both (3)	CORNERS: Precut (1) Not cut (2) Both (3)	LOG LENGTHS: Precut (1) Rough cut (2) Both (3)	GABLE ENDS: Precut (1) Square cut (2) Either (3)	Full round (1) Swedish cope (2) Both (3)	Flat - inside (1) Round - inside (2) Both (3)	Flat - outside (1) Round - outside (2) Both (3)	Rectangular (1) Lap siding (2) Both (3)	Hand peeled (1) Hand hewn (2) Both (3) Other (4)	HEIGHTS: 4" - 6" (1) 7" - 9" (2) Both (3)	HEIGHTS: 10" or larger (1)	WIDTHS: 4" - 6" (1) 7" - 9" (2) Both (3)	WIDTHS: 10" or larger (1)	T & G TYPE: Single (1) Double/Triple (2) Both (3)	ROUND TYPE: Full round (1) Swedish cope (2) Both (3)	FLAT TYPE: Flat on flat (1) Flat/Spline groove (2) Both (3)	Saddle notch (1) Dovetail (2) Both (3)	Interlock (1) Butt & pass (2) Both (3)	Corner post butt (1) Notch & pass (2) Both (3)	Spikes (1) Nails (2) Both (3)	Through bolts (1) Lag screws (2) Both (3) Other (4)	Dowels/drift pins (1) Adhesives (2) Both (3)	Caulking (1) Chinking (2) Both (3)	Foam gasket (1) Adhesives (2) Both (3)	Spline (1) Other (2) Both (3)	Certified by company	Certified by engineer or architect	Evaluated by ICBO, BOCA or SBCCI	Logs graded (1) Warranty (2) Both (3)	Design service (1) Finance service (2) Both (3)	Construction manual (1) Technical service (2) Both (3)	Shell erection (1) Complete construction (2) Both (3)	Email (1) Web site (2) Both (3)	Line #
70	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	2	3	1	3	1	2	2		3			3	1	1	1	1	1	1			2	1	1	1	3	70
71	1		1	1	1	3				1		1		1		3		1					1	3			1	1		1	1	3	1	3	71
72	1		1	1	1					3		1		1		2	2	3				2	1	2	1		1			2	1	2	1	3	72
73	3	1	3	3	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	1	3	1	2	2		3	1	2		3		1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	3		3	73
74	3	1	1	1	1				3		2		1		2			2			1			1					1	2	1	1		3	74
75	1	1	1	1	1	3	1			1	2	1	2	1	1	2		1				1			1		1			3	1	3		3	75
76	3	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	3	1	2	3	3	3	3	1		2		3	3	1	1	1		3	1	2	1	3	76
77	1	1	1	1	1	3				3		1		1		3		1			1			2				1		3	1		3	3	77
78	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	1	3	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	3	3	1		3	78
79	3		3	3	1	3	3	3	1	3						3	1	1	3		1	3		3	1		1	1		1	1		1	3	79
80	1	1	1		2				1	2		1	3	1				2			1		1	3				1			1	1		3	80
81	3	1	3	3	2	1	3	3	2	3	3		3		3	1	3	3	3	3	1	2		1	1			1		2	1	1	3	3	81
82	1		1	1	1		3	2		1	3		2		1				2			2		1	1			1		3	3	3		3	82
83	1		1	1	2	3				1	3	1	3	1		3		1			1	2	1		1		1				1		1	3	83
84	1		1	1	1	3				1		1		1		3		1					1	2			1	1		3	1	3	1	3	84
85	3	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	1	2	2		2			3	2	3	2		1			3	1						1	3	1	3	85
86	1		1	1	1	1				1		1		1			1	1	2			2	3	3	2			1			1	1	1	3	86
87	1	3	3	3	2	1	3	3	1	3	3	1	3		3			3	2	1	1	2	3	3	3	1		1		1	1	1		3	87
88	1		1	1		3	3	2		1		1		1		3		1							1	2		1			1	2	1	3	88
89	1		1	1	1	3				1		1		1		3		1				1	1	3				1			1	3	1	3	89
90	1		1	1	1	3				3	2	1	2	1		3		3				1	1	3			1				1	2	1	3	90
91	1	1	1	1	2	1					2	1	2	1	2			1				1		1	1		1	1			1	2	3	3	91
92	1		1	1						1/4		1		1				3		1		3			1		1			3	1		1	3	92

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Number of Builder/Dealers

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Line #	COMPANY NAME	Company Information					Market Area				Wood Species									Moisture Content & Preservative			
		State or province	Year founded	Manufacturer (1) Handcrafter (2) Both (3)	Number of homes produced	Number of builder/dealers	Northeast (1) Southeast (2) Both (3)	Great Lakes (1) Midwest (2) Both (3)	South Central (1) West (2) Both (3)	Canada (1) International (2) Both (3)	White cedar (1) Western red cedar (2) Both (3)	Cypress (1) Redwood (2) Both (3)	Douglas fir (1) Eastern fir (2) Both (3)	Hemlock (1) Larch (2) Both (3)	White pine (1) Lodgepole pine (2) Both (3)	Red pine (1) Southern yellow pine (2) Both (3)	Eastern spruce (1) Engelmann spruce (2) Both (3)	Oak (1) Walnut (2) Both (3)	Ponderosa pine (1) Poplar (2) Both (3)	DRYING METHOD: Air (1) Kiln (2) Both (3) Standing dead (4)	MOISTURE: 15% or below (1) 16 to 19% (2) Both (3)	CONTENT: 20 to 25% (1) 26 to 30% (2) Both (3)	PRESERVATIVE: None (1) EPA-approved (2) Either (3)
93	Moosehead Cedar Log Homes	ME	83	1	E	3	3	3	3	3	1									1	2		1
94	Mountain Valley Log Homes	UT	85	1	E	2	3	3	3						2					4	1		1
95	Neville Log Homes	MT	65	1	F	3	3	3	3				1	2	2		2			4	2		1
96	New Homestead USA	ID	74	3	H	5	3	3	3	2	3	3	1	3	3		2		1	3/4	2		
97	Nicola LogWorks	BC	91	2	C	1	3	3	3	3	2		1				2			1/4	2		2
98	Norse Log Homes Ltd.	BC	84	2	F		3	3	3	3	2		1							1	2		2
99	North American Log Crafters Ltd.	BC	72	2	E	2	3	3	3	3	2		1				2			1	2		2
100	North Arrow Log Homes	MI	88	2	C	2		1			3				1	1				1	2		2
101	Northeastern Log Homes Inc.	VT	72	1	H	1	3	3	3	3	2				1		1			3		1	2
102	Nutrioso Log Works	AZ	92	2	A	1	2	2	3								2		1	4	1		1
103	Old Style Log Works Inc.	MT	80	2	D	1	3	3	3	1				2	2		2			1/4		3	3
104	Old Virginia Hand Hewn Log Homes Inc.	VA	81	3	F	2	3	3	1				1	1	1					3	2		1
105	Oregon Log Home Company	OR	70	3	E	2	3	3	3	2			1	2	2		2			1	2	1	1
106	The Original Log Cabin Homes Ltd.	NC	87	1	G	6	3	2		2	3	1	3		1	2	1			3	2		1
107	Original Log Homes Ltd.	BC	81	2	F	4	3	3	3	3	2		1		2		2			1	2		1
108	Original Old Timer Log Homes & Supply Inc.	TN	78	1	H	6	3	3	3	2	2	1			1					2	3		1
109	Outaouais Log Homes	PQ	85	1	D	1				2				1	1	1				1		1	1
110	Pacific Log Homes Ltd.	BC	76	2	F	2	3	3	3	3	2		1		2		2			1	2		1
111	Pan Adobe Homes Inc.	WA	52	1	I	5	3	3	3	2	2									3	2		1
112	Paradise Mountain Log Homes Inc.	WA	78	2	E	2	1	3	3		2		1		2		2			1	2		1
113	Pedersen Logsmiths Inc.	ID	88	2	B	1			2		2		1	2	3		2		1	1/4	1		1
114	Pinecraft Log Homes Inc.	WI	72	1	F	3	3	3	3	3	3				3	1				3/4		3	
115	Pioneer Log Systems Inc.	TN	90	1	E	2	3	3	3	1	2		1	1	1			1	2	3	3	1	1

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Line #	COMPANY NAME	Company Information					Market Area				Wood Species									Moisture Content & Preservative			
		State or province	Year founded	Manufacturer (1) Handcrafter (2) Both (3)	Number of homes produced	Number of builder/dealers	Northeast (1) Southeast (2) Both (3)	Great Lakes (1) Midwest (2) Both (3)	South Central (1) West (2) Both (3)	Canada (1) International (2) Both (3)	White cedar (1) Western red cedar (2) Both (3)	Cypress (1) Redwood (2) Both (3)	Douglas fir (1) Eastern fir (2) Both (3)	Hemlock (1) Larch (2) Both (3)	White pine (1) Lodgepole pine (2) Both (3)	Red pine (1) Southern yellow pine (2) Both (3)	Eastern spruce (1) Engelmann spruce (2) Both (3)	Oak (1) Walnut (2) Both (3)	Ponderosa pine (1) Poplar (2) Both (3)	DRYING METHOD: Air (1) Kiln (2) Both (3) Standing dead (4)	MOISTURE: 15% or below (1) 16 to 19% (2) Both (3)	CONTENT: 20 to 25% (1) 26 to 30% (2) Both (3)	PRESERVATIVE: None (1) EPA-approved (2) Either (3)
116	Pioneer Logs Ltd.	ON	78	2	C	1	1	3		1					1					1	2		1
117	Precision Craft Log Homes	ID	90	3	F	4	3	3	3	3	2		1				2		1	3	3		1
118	Rapid River Rustic Cedar Log Homes	MI	70	1	F	2	1	3			1									3	3		1
119	Rasmussen Log Homes Ltd.	BC	80	2	D	2			2	3	2		1				2			1	2		1
120	Real Log Homes	VT	63	1	I	6	3	3	3	3	2				3	2				1		1	2
121	Rocky Mountain Log Homes	MT	74	3	H	5	3	3	3	3	2		1	1						4	2		1
122	Salmon River Log Homes	ID	94	2	B	2	3	3	3	1			1	2	2		2			4	2		1
123	Satterwhite Log Homes	TX	74	1	I	1	3	3	3	3			1		2		2		1	3/4	1		1
124	Scandinavian Log & Timber Works	WI	91	2	B	1	3	3	3	3	2				1	1				1	2		3
125	Senty Handcrafted Log Homes	MN	81	2	C	2		3			2					1				1/4	2	1	2
126	Sierra Log Homes	CA	91	3	D	3	3	3	3				1		2		2			1/4	2		1
127	Snake River Log Homes	ID	93	3	C	4	3	3	3	3			1		2		2		1	1/4	3		3
128	Southland Log Homes Inc.	SC	78	1	H	3	3	3	1	3	2				1	2				2		1	2
129	StoneMill Log Homes	TN	74	3	F	2	3	3	3	1			1	1		2				3	3		1
130	Summit Handcrafted Log Homes	ID	03	3	G	2	3	3	3	3	2	1	1		2		2			3/4	3	1	2
131	Suwannee River Log Homes Ltd.	FL	87	1	F	4	3	3	3			1								1	2		1
132	Tennessee Log Homes Inc.	TN	75	3	H	6	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	3		2		1	3/4	2		2
133	Teton Peaks Log Homes	ID	88	1	F	3	1	3	2	3			1		2		2			1/4	1		1
134	Thomas Log Crafters	MN	91	2	D	2				2			1	2	2		2			1/4	3		1
135	Timber Log Building Systems	CT	76	1	G	6	3	3	3	3	2				1					1	2		2
136	Timberstone Log Homes	NS	93	2	A	2	3	3	3	3	2			1	1	1	1			1		2	2
137	Tomahawk Log & Country Homes Inc.	WI	87	1	D	3	3	3	3	3	1				1	1				1	3		2
138	Town & Country Cedar Homes	MI	47	3	I	3	2	3			3				1	1			1	2	1		1

	Log Type		Cutting Detail			Log Profiles					Log Height & Width				Horizontal Surface			Corner Style			Fastener Type			Sealing System Type			Code Compliance			Other Services					
	Full logs (1) Half logs (2) Both (3)	Log siding (1) Laminated logs (2) Both (3)	CORNERS: Precut (1) Not cut (2) Both (3)	LOG LENGTHS: Precut (1) Rough cut (2) Both (3)	GABLE ENDS: Precut (1) Square cut (2) Either (3)	Full round (1) Swedish cope (2) Both (3)	Flat - inside (1) Round - inside (2) Both (3)	Flat - outside (1) Round - outside (2) Both (3)	Rectangular (1) Lap siding (2) Both (3)	Hand peeled (1) Hand hewn (2) Both (3) Other (4)	HEIGHTS: 4" - 6" (1) 7" - 9" (2) Both (3)	HEIGHTS: 10" or larger (1)	WIDTHS: 4" - 6" (1) 7" - 9" (2) Both (3)	WIDTHS: 10" or larger (1)	T & G TYPE: Single (1) Double/Triple (2) Both (3)	ROUND TYPE: Full round (1) Swedish cope (2) Both (3)	FLAT TYPE: Flat on flat (1) Flat/Spline groove (2) Both (3)	Saddle notch (1) Dovetail (2) Both (3)	Interlock (1) Butt & pass (2) Both (3)	Corner post butt (1) Notch & pass (2) Both (3)	Spikes (1) Nails (2) Both (3)	Through bolts (1) Lag screws (2) Both (3) Other (4)	Dowels/drift pins (1) Adhesives (2) Both (3)	Caulking (1) Chinking (2) Both (3)	Foam gasket (1) Adhesives (2) Both (3)	Spline (1) Other (2) Both (3)	Certified by company	Certified by engineer or architect	Evaluated by ICBO, BOCA or SBCCI	Logs graded (1) Warranty (2) Both (3)	Design service (1) Finance service (2) Both (3)	Construction manual (1) Technical service (2) Both (3)	Shell erection (1) Complete construction (2) Both (3)	Email (1) Web site (2) Both (3)	Line #
93	1	1	1	1	1		1	3		2	3		1		2				2			3		1	1	1	1		1	3	1	3		3	93
94	1	1	1			2					3	1	3	1		3	1	1			3	2	2	3	3		1	1		3	1	2			94
95	3	1	1	1	2	3				3		1		1		2		1			1	2		3	1			1		3	1			3	95
96	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	3	1	3	3	1	3	3	3	1	3	2	3	3			1		3	3	2	3	3	96
97	1		1	1	1	3				3		1		1		2		3				1	1	2	1		1	1		3	1	2	1	3	97
98	1		1	1		3				3		1		3		2		1				1					1	1		3	1	2	1	3	98
99	1		1	1	1	3				1	2	1	2	1		2		3				3			1		1	1		3	1	2	1	3	99
100	1		1	1		3				1	2	1	2	1		3		1						3	1		1				1		3	3	100
101	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	2		3		3		1				2		3	3		1	1		1	1	1	3	1	3		3	101
102	1		1	1	2	3						1		1		2		1				2						1			3	2	1		102
103	1	1	1	1	1	3				1		1		1		3		1			1	3	1	3				1		3	1	1	1	3	103
104	1	1	1	1	1		1	2	1	2	2	1	3		1		2	2	1			2	2	3	2	1	1			3	1	2	1	3	104
105	3	1	1	3		3	3	3	1	3	3	1	2	1		3	1	1	2			3	3	3	3		1	1		3	1	3	1	3	105
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Homes Produced Since Founding

KEY	NUMBER
A	0-49
B	50-99
C	100-249
D	250-499
E	500-999
F	1,000-2,499
G	2,500-4,999
H	5,000-9,999
I	10,000 & over

Number of Builder/Dealers

KEY	NUMBER
1	None
2	1-9
3	10-24
4	25-49
5	50-99
6	100 & over

Line #	COMPANY NAME	Company Information: State or province	Year founded	Manufacturer (1) Handcrafter (2) Both (3)	Number of homes produced	Number of builder/dealers	Market Area: Northeast (1) Southeast (2) Both (3)	Great Lakes (1) Midwest (2) Both (3)	South Central (1) West (2) Both (3)	Canada (1) International (2) Both (3)	Wood Species: White cedar (1) Western red cedar (2) Both (3)	Cypress (1) Redwood (2) Both (3)	Douglas fir (1) Eastern fir (2) Both (3)	Hemlock (1) Larch (2) Both (3)	White pine (1) Lodgepole pine (2) Both (3)	Red pine (1) Southern yellow pine (2) Both (3)	Eastern spruce (1) Engelmann spruce (2) Both (3)	Oak (1) Walnut (2) Both (3)	Pondersa pine (1) Poplar (2) Both (3)	Moisture Content & Preservative: DRYING METHOD: Air (1) Kiln (2) Both (3) Standing dead (4)	MOISTURE: 15% or below (1) 16 to 19% (2) Both (3)	CONTENT: 20 to 25% (1) 26 to 30% (2) Both (3)	PRESERVATIVE: None (1) EPA-approved (2) Either (3)
139	Treehouse Log Homes of the Northwest LLC	OR	83	2	F	3		3	3		2		1		2		2			1	2		2
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141	True North Log Homes Inc.	ON	86	1		4	3	3	3	1	2		1		1					1			2
142	Tucker Mountain Log Homes	ME	85	2	B	2	3	3	3	3					1	1	1			1		2	1
143	Unique Timber Corp.	BC	76	2	E	1	3	3	3	3	2		1				2			2/4	2		2
144	A Very Unique Log Home Inc.	MT	78	2	C	2			2	1				2	2		2			4	2		1
145	Voyageur Log Homes Inc.	MN	83	1	E	2	1	3	2	3	2				1	1				3	2		2
146	Walden 19th Century Antique Log Homes	TN	84	2	C	1	3	3	3	3				1		2		1	2	1	1		2
147	Ward Cedar Log Homes	ME	23	1	I	5	3	3	3	3	1									1	3		1
148	White Eagle Building Systems	IN	75	2	B	2	3	3	3	3	3		1	3	1		2			1		1	2
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Producers Directory

There are 156 log home producers (both manufacturers and handcrafters) listed in this directory. These producers are display, floorplan or gallery advertisers in this publication. You can find additional log home producers and handcrafters in the State-by-State Directory section of this magazine's Marketplace, beginning on page 363.

Each advertiser has a one-third page listing. The companies are given the opportunity to write their own listings. We feel this allows readers to make comparative judgments based on the producers' own words; we do reserve the right to edit listings and challenge statements.

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As a publisher, it isn't possible to guarantee that all producers listed are "good" companies that will always satisfy all their customers. We do, however, reserve the right to refuse to list companies with histories of consumer complaints. We regularly write to Better Business Bureaus and state attorneys general offices requesting the names of companies with complaint records. We encourage you to write us about unsatisfactory experiences you've had with log home producers.

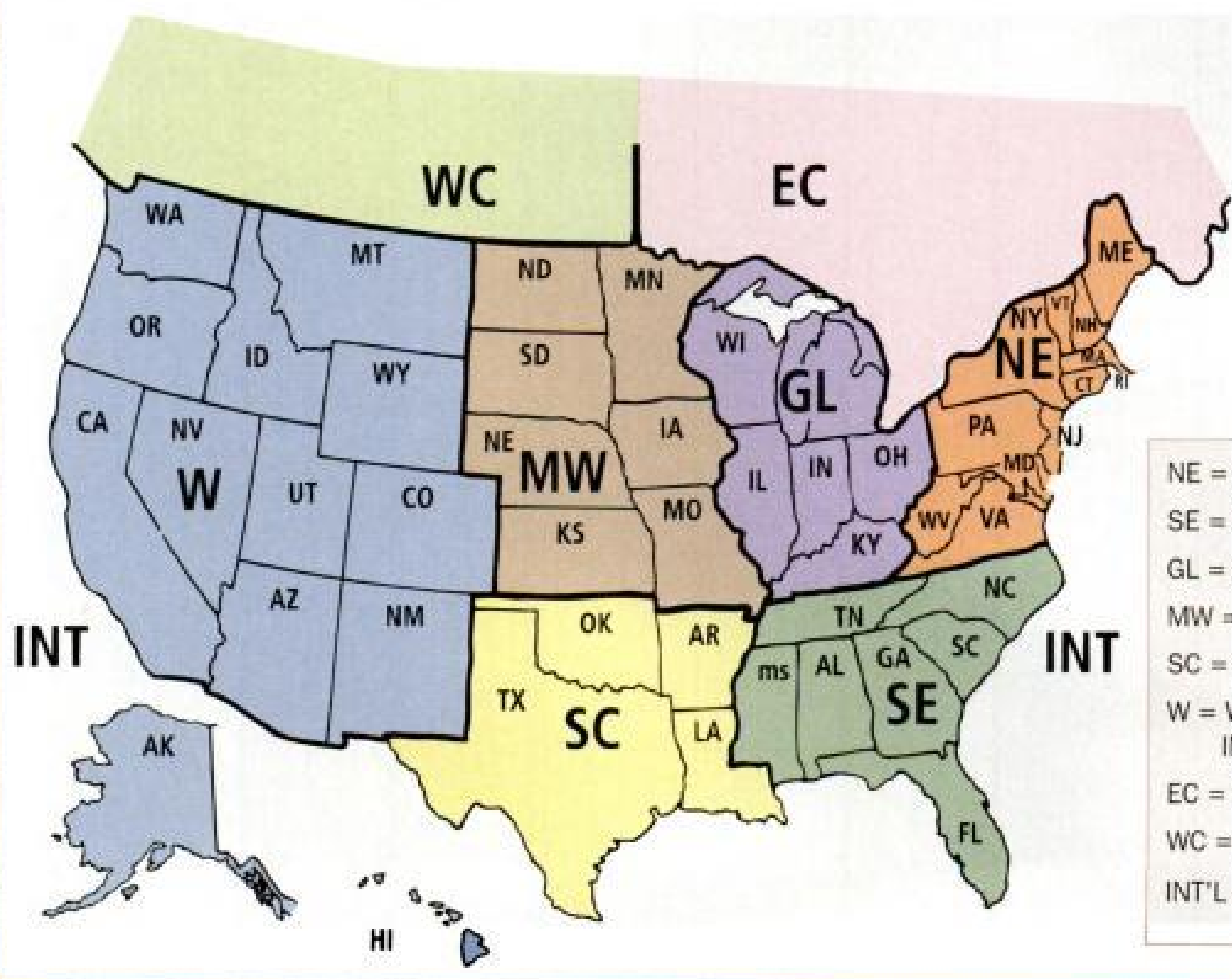
Buying Advice

We do not rate or recommend individual companies. We believe the information that is provided in this publication should adequately prepare buyers to select companies and products that best suit their needs.

Key to the Directory

Each listing contains the following information about the company: its name, address, telephone and fax numbers, email and web addresses, the names of sales representatives, the company's marketing areas (see map below), a description of the company's product literature (many of these items are available through the Log Home Living Bookstore) and a brief description of the company's products and services. Much of this information has also been summarized in quick reference form in our Products & Services Guide, which starts on page 295. Each listing also contains an illustration or photograph of the producer's corner detail.

MARKET AREA KEY



NE = NORTHEASTERN UNITED STATES
SE = SOUTHEASTERN UNITED STATES
GL = GREAT LAKES REGION
MW = MIDWESTERN UNITED STATES
SC = SOUTH CENTRAL UNITED STATES
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Market Areas
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CORNER DETAIL



Product Literature
Ameri-Log Homes Planbook.... 28 pages ....Free
Ameri-Log Homes Planbook on CD.................Free

Company Information
Life can be complicated. Buying a log home need not be. The Ameri-Log home choice is the hassle-free choice. You can own the log home you've dreamed about now—not years from now. With Ameri-Log Homes the exceptional quality of a custom home is yours quickly, easily and at much less cost.

Ameri-Log Homes is the result of a unique partnership between two of the home building industry's most respected names: All American Homes, the number one modular home builder in the nation, and Town & Country Cedar Homes, with more than 50 years of experience in building cedar log homes and recently designated by Neiman Marcus as the builder of America's finest custom wood homes.

To build Amer-Log homes we use only the heartwood of northern white cedar, known as the aristocrat of woods. The closed-cell structure and systemically produced preservative oils provide a natural resistance to mold, decay and insects. Our half-log construction method includes our energy efficient two-by-six stud wall construction with six inches of fiberglass insulation standard.

At Ameri-Log Homes we are building for the 21st century. From planning, designing, engineering, budgeting and on-time delivery, we have the construction process down to a science. We build your Ameri-Log home at one of our eight state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities. Your home is constructed indoors under ideal conditions and then delivered to your building site. The logs are installed on-site by specially trained craftsmen. Choose Ameri-Log Homes and you will be living in your log home — on time and on budget.

Ameri-Log Homes offers the most complete package in the log home industry including such standard features as Andersen Windows, Merillat cabinets, Delta faucets, Schlage locksets, Sea Gull lighting fixtures and Certainteed Landmark shingles.

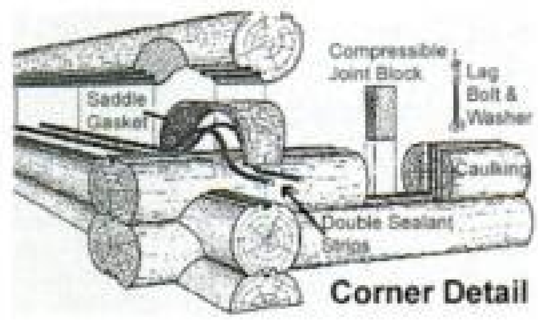
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Company Information
American Building Systems log home packages are a three part easy-to-assemble dry-in shell building kit utilizing hand selected logs and state-of-the-art engineered wood products components: 1. High-tech pre-numbered ready-to-assemble log wall system, 2. Pre-engineered ready-to-assemble silent floor system, 3. Pre-engineered ready-to-assemble clear span roof system.

American Building Systems log home packages offer a cost-effective building system easy enough to be erected by do-it-yourselfers; offering the optimum strength, comfort, performance and energy efficiency that is demanded by today's home owner.

Our production facility has been manufacturing and milling fine log systems sine 1977. Many of our families of satisfied customers who have built the home, cabin or chalet of their dreams are enjoying the kind of lifesyle that results from living in a top-quality log home. Each home is unique and is designed to suit the site and meet the owner's criteria for appearance and cost. Careful planning of your new home will ensure your long-term satisfaction.

Look to American Building Systems to design, manufacture and build a log home building package of uncompromising quality that will be appreciated throughout the many years that your family will enjoy their new lifestyle.

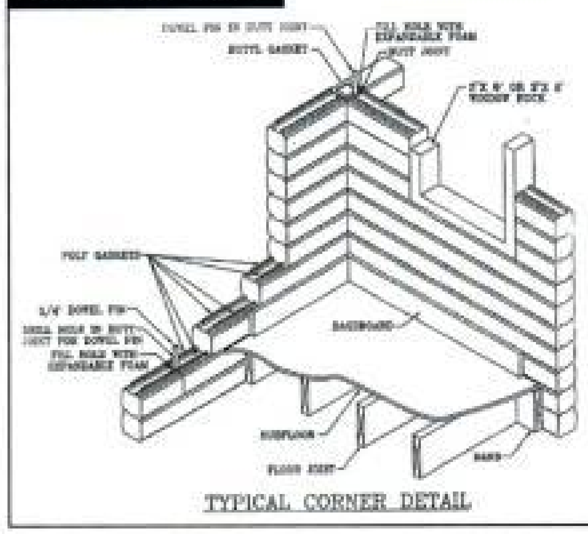
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Product Literature
Floorplan Packet ....19 designs $7.50

Company Information
American Heritage Log Homes was born in 1975 in Maggie Valley, North Carolina. We are a family-owned-and-operated business that keeps high-quality products and workmanship as top priorities. We offer honesty, top quality and dependable service. There is no high-pressure sales pitch here, we listen closely to what our customers want and do our best to see that they get it.

Our homes are crafted of 6-by-8-inch, 8-by-6-inch or 8-by-8-inch D-logs. We also offer a 6-by-12-inch designed with a chinking groove. Logs are milled double tongue and grooved with a drip edge on the round exterior and a decorative V-groove on the flat interior. The 6-by-12-inch logs are flat on both sides. We deal in kiln-dried white pine and western red or eastern white cedar that is not kiln dried. Each home is milled fresh when ordered and shipped in random lengths of 8 to 16 feet. We specialize in custom designs. Our experienced crew offers expert construction options both locally and out of the area. Please call for details.

Our homes are assembled using 10-inch or 12-inch spiral spikes on 12-inch centers. Polyurethane gaskets on both tongues, 3/4-inch dowels at all butt and corner joints plus expandable foam and butyl gasket at all corners combine to ensure a perfectly sealed home.

Having our own manufacturing plant at our home office gives us total quality control. We think our customers deserve the best product available anywhere. We mill 8-by-6-inch high-stack logs primarily, but we do have other profiles and dimensions available. We have our own dry kilns and offer Timber Products Inspection certified grading on request. Please allow plenty of time in your planning for adequate log drying time (approximately 30 to 45 days from date of contract to delivery).

Our customers are very important to us. We're old fashioned enough to believe in having pride in our work and in our country and an abiding faith in God. We would love the opportunity to be your company.

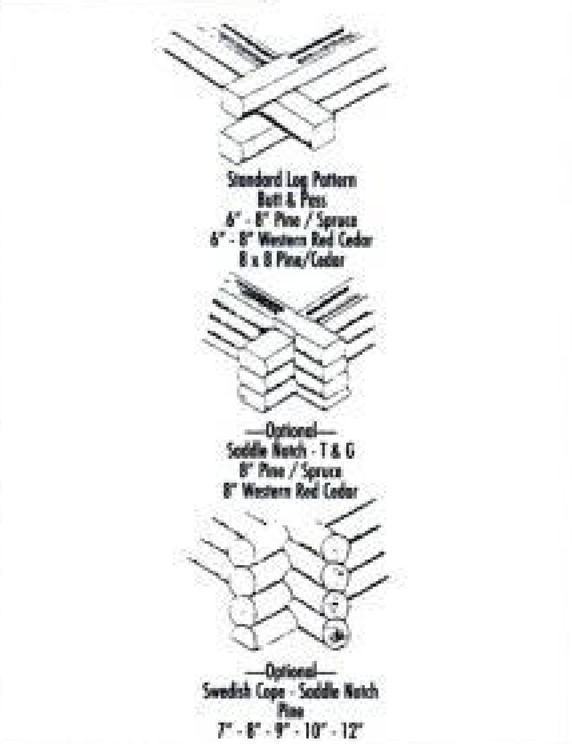
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Product Literature
American Log Homes Inc. ....100 pages $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B173

Company Information
American Log Homes Inc. was formed in 1977 by Clyde Cremer, a professional forester, with the goal of producing a quality log home that is comfortable, durable and affordable. American expanded its operations to Colorado in 1984 under the corporate name of Log Home Corp. of North America. Two manufacturing plants enable the company to better serve its dealers and customers.

The logs are milled from dry lodgepole pine, Engelmann spruce, southern yellow pine, and western red cedar. Using only high quality, dry timber with moisture content of less than 15 percent reduces shrinkage to an absolute minimum.

Logs are 6-, 8- or 10-inches thick with a double tongue and groove. Cedar, pine and spruce logs can be obtained in either flat or round interior and flat or round exterior. A full round log with a Swedish cope is also offered. Milled, round exterior logs feature a flared drip edge on the lower radius. Logs are pre-cut for ease in construction or can be obtained in the random length form.

American works with the do-it-yourselfer. The total system includes the basic shell materials, a construction manual, detailed blueprints and technical assistance on site.

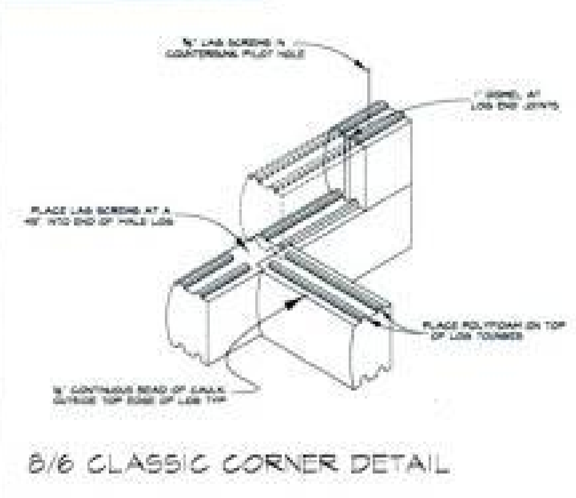
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Product Literature
Catalog & Video ......148 pages/35 min. $14.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore......#BX106

Company Information
AmerLink Ltd. founded in 1982, offers one of the most complete log home weathertight shell packages available. In addition to all the log wall parts, exterior doors and insulated Low E windows, AmerLink also includes the complete floor systems with log skirting, interior partition framing, insulated sheathing and matching log siding for gable ends and dormers, complete roof system, including plywood sheathing, felt and shingles, gable end louvers, finished fascia and soffit vent system and exterior window-door trim. Each package also includes AmerLink's Lifetime Limited Warranty.

Log home packages are available in six different log styles, from the classic D style to the contemporary beveled look to the hand-hewn appearance of the notch lap style. Four different corner systems are featured and log sizes include the 8/6 standard as well as 8/8, 12/6 and 12/8.

The customer may choose from more than 70 standard home designs or the company's custom design department can help design a new home. Standard designs range from small vacation cabins to large single-family homes of well over 3,000 square feet. Log walls are available in both random lengths (linear footage) or completely precut and numbered. All logs are TPI stress graded and feature AmerLink's unique drip edge and double tongue-and-groove joinery system. AmerLink sells its log packages both direct and through a network of dealers across the United States. The company also offers both a nationwide financing and builder referral program and, in many areas, offers its own shell erection services.

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ANDERSEN LOG HOMES COMPANY

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Company Information
Andersen Log Homes Company specializes in building handcrafted, custom log homes, cabins and commercial structures. Our method of contruction reflects that of the pioneer log home builders of British Columbia. We carry on the tradition of the interlocking V-Joint notch, sometimes referred to as the "Norwegian Notch." We have architects that will help you design your log home, and who will go to your building site and provide a site evaluation.

Jon Andersen, owner, has been building log homes for more than 20 years and he personally hand selects each tree for each home. Once the logs are harvested and on our building site they are debarked and air-dried for roughly six months before they are used in a log structure. Most of the log homes we build are built with white pine or red pine, which is locally harvested, with diameters ranging from 15 to 30 inches, with a 10-inch top minimum. We also build with standing dead lodgepole pine, western white pine, cedar and Engelmann spruce.

Each log is hand peeled with drawknives, and then is hand scribed and custom fitted to the log beneath it. The log shell is pre-built on our building site, and then it is tagged, disassembled onto trailers, and then reassembled with our crew on the home owner's site. Fiberglass insulation is put between each log and each notched corner when they are reassembled on the home owner's site, and most of the door and window openings are cut out after it has been reassembled. Caulking is not necessary on our homes, and they will stay weathertight.

All of our log building features include all door and window openings cut out and keywayed, ready for installation and all log walls are secured by drift pins. We include log ridgepoles, purlins, log posts and archways. Optional features include log stairs, handrails, loft floor joist systems and bolted log trusses.

We offer a log shell package, a finished log shell or a fully finished turn-key home in association with our recommended general contractors. For those who prefer to contract their own home, we can recommend experienced log home subcontractors.

Andersen Log Homes Company is a member of the Great Lakes Log Crafters Association, the International Builders' Association and the Better Business Bureau. Our model home in Walker, Minnesota is available to tour, and we gladly send out literature and customer references upon request.

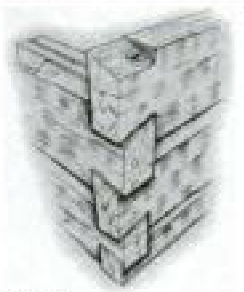
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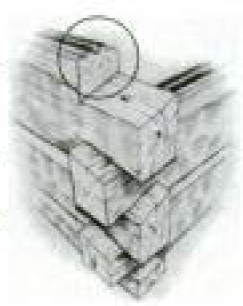
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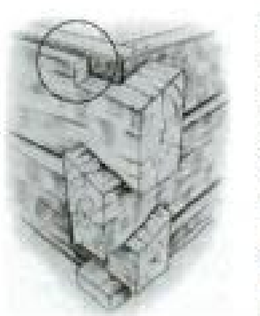
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Traditional Dovetail
Our traditional walls are constructed from 6" x 12" or 8"x12" timbers joined with authentic half-dovetails. This allows the weight of the building to pull the walls tightly together while keeping water outside where it belongs. Spaces between the logs are filled with double two inch bands of foam and covered with a latex based chinking material. This creates a strong, thermally efficient wall.

Dov Loc
Dov Loc walls are similar to the traditional walls, incorporating the half-dovetail joints at the corners. The difference is the tops and bottoms of the logs are milled with a double tongue and groove joint, locking the timbers together with a double strip of sealant and lag screws every two feet. The Dov Loc log system uses standing dead timbers with minimal moisture. They can be ordered V-grooved, with a chinking joint (shown), or in any combination that you wish.





Log Siding
Log Siding walls allow a conventionally framed/Paneloc home or garage to be built or retrofitted that is eternally indistinguishable from solid log walls. The hewn siding is applied over standard OSB sheathing and chinked with our latex based system. The full-width dovetails at the corners give the appearance of solid logs, and the stud-framed walls allow conventional insulation, wiring, and interior wall treatments to be installed.

Product Literature
Appalachian Log Homes Inc. ..48 pages $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B108
Video ....10 min. $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X108

Company Information
Appalachian Log Homes Inc. combines common-sense handcrafted building techniques of the past with today's technology and convenience to create homes of timeless, enduring beauty. We use the heartwood from mature trees for our log homes. All our timbers are stress graded for structural integrity by Timber Products Inspection Inc.

Our packages furnish all the materials necessary for the erection of your log walls, from the 6- or 8-by-12-inch timbers with corners that are accurately cut and fitted with a dovetail notch to pre-drilling for electrical wiring. Many models feature hewn ridge beams and rafters for cathedral ceilings.

Because we realize that your home represents a major investment, we also extend an exceptional 10-year warranty through the Residential Warranty Corporation. The warranty is fully insured and transferable.

For complete details of our homes, services or optional materials, please contact our office or send for our catalog and video.

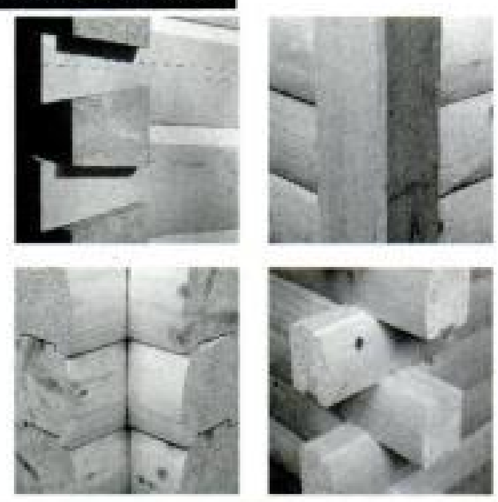
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Product Literature
Appalachian Log Structures ....90 pages $12
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B109
Construction Video....................27 min. $45
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X109
Company & Product Profile Video..7 min $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#Y109
Catalog & Product Profile Video Package..........$20

Company Information
Appalachian Log Structures (ALSI), with a National Sales Office/Model located in Ripley, West Virginia, and a Regional Sales Office/Model located in Gaffney, South Carolina, is celebrating its 25-year anniversary in manufacturing log homes. With production facilities in Princeton, West Virginia, the company has the latest technology available to custom design, pre-cut, pressure treat and deliver log home building materials.

ALSI offers eight log profiles and four corner styles in 6- or 8-inch thickness. Log styles offer a precut, tongue-and-groove, solid wood wall. The engineered building system also includes a precut timber frame loft floor, rafter roof and a porch system with through-bolts, hardware and caulk, gasket and exterior sealer. All pressure-treated log wall materials are grade stamped and protected by a 5/25-year warranty.

In celebration of the 25-year anniversary, Appalachian Log Structures has introduced a new model, the Stoneridge. The model offers more than 2,200 square feet of living area with three bedrooms, two-and-a-half baths and an abundance of porches and decks. A special price is being offered on this new home design.

Appalachian Log Structures also introduced its newest product line—interior and exterior railings to complement the unique appearance of the log home. Available in four styles: rustic round (smooth); rustic round, traditional and contemporary. There is a look that will harmonize with the numerous log profiles available through the company.

For further information on Appalachian Log Structures Inc. please call 800-458-9990 or visit our web site at www.applog.com.

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Company Information
Atali Log Homes offer handcrafted custom log home packages, log accents and log home products in the Southeast. Our logs are air dried to achieve quality, stability and to minimize shrinkage.

Our handcrafted homes are custom-created using a full-scribe technique prepared by skilled artisans who cut, scribe and notch each log individually. All corners are fitted with saddle notches and curled detail. This system ensures a tight log-on-log wall system that does not require chink between the logs. A standard package includes all log components required by the roof system and log shell package including the stairs and interior rail. We can also provide siding and exterior railing packages upon request. We have several choices in wood species that vary in appearance and cost. We offer western red cedar, Douglas fir, Engelmann spruce and lodgepole pine.

We offer handcrafted logs to accent or detail a conventionally framed home or structure. Log accents are an aesthetically pleasing way to add character, beauty and warmth...be it new construction or a remodeling project. A variety of interior and exterior applications such as log structural trusses, ridge beams, purlins, log post columns, sun deck supports, corner treatments and log siding are available. Focal points in the home can include log fireplace mantels, half-log stairs, log slab bar tops, half logs used to look like rafters, window treatments, etc.

Atali also offers a full line of log home products including log finishes, chinking and caulking.

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Product Literature

Catalog....................................40 pages $10

Company Information

BK Cypress Log Homes Inc. is a family-owned and operated company. The family of BK Cypress started cypress manufacturing in the 1930s and log homes in the 1970s, establishing itself as the leader in cypress log home manufacturing.

BK Cypress uses Tidewater red cypress, nature's finest wood against rot, decay and termites, as its wood of choice for lumber and log homes. The wood's advantages are so great that the logs are sold with a 60-year limited warranty against rot, decay and termite infestation.

Tidewater red cypress is very tight and dense-grained wood with compact growth ring patterns. Our milling process is designed to remove the sapwood and keep the valuable heartwood for logs and timbers, resulting in minimal shrinking and settling.

BK Cypress' log system features triple tongue-and-groove milling on the top and bottom of all milled log profiles. We offer many different log shapes and sizes, as well as corner systems. In addition, BK Cypress offers the options of logs with hand hewning or chinking. Being a full-service sawmill/manufacturer, BK Cypress offers cut timbers, siding, trim lumber, tongue-and-groove paneling, flooring, etc. In 1996, BK Cypress introduced a 12-inch wide dovetail hand-hewn system and 10- to 16-inch diameter half-round siding with full corners.

BK Cypress is a member of Timber Products Inc. and grade stamps the logs. Other services provided include planning and design work, estimating of plans, drafting and complete engineering, financial assistance, shipping and construction. Custom plans are a specialty of BK Cypress. BK Cypress has dealers throughout the United States.

BK Cypress Log Homes Inc. is a member of the Log Homes Council, NAHB, NFIB, Florida Forestry Association, Florida and local Chamber of Commerce and Better Business Bureau.

Contact the experienced personnel at BK Cypress and discover the affordability of the superior Tidewater red cypress.

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Company Information

Baker Creek Log Homes is made up of a dedicated group of craftsmen whose first love is building with logs. They take pride in creating log structures built to the most rigorous industry standard—the International Log Builders' Association's Log Building Standards. Their talent combined with the company's versatile design and engineering service insures that its structures are as sound as they are beautiful.

John Palm is a logbuilder with 12 years of experience who established Baker Creek in 1993. John is an active member of the ILBA and also has considerable experience as a general contractor. This experience is invaluable in bringing a custom log home project successfully to completion.

Baker Creek's prevailing building method is the Scandanavian full-scribe (Swedish cope) but they also build full-round (chink) and timberframe structures. Wall logs are large diameter (14-inch mid-span) Engelmann spruce or lodgepole pine, while roof systems employ Douglas fir and larch. Both standing-dead and green timber are used in a joinery system of shrink-to-fit saddle notches and lateral groove over-scribing that accommodates all settling contingencies. The lateral grooves are gasketed and the wall logs drift-pinned with hardwood dowels. Through-bolting is used where required.

The Baker Creek log home package includes re-erection with internal gaskets, insulation, through-bolts and finished door and window openings.

In addition to finely crafted logwork, Baker Creek provides custom design and engineering services, total project cost estimating and construction advice, assuring that its log homes will be successfully guided through the finishing process to completion.

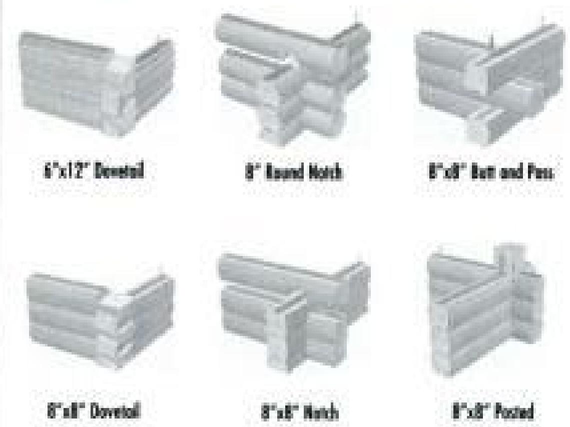
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Product Literature

Battle Creek Log Homes...........24 pages ....Free

Company Information

Battle Creek Log Homes is located on I-24, Exit 143, just 30 minutes west of Chattanooga and easily accessible from Atlanta, Nashville, Birmingham, Knoxville and Memphis, where a model home is available for viewing, by appointment.

BCLH, family owned and operated since 1976, with 23 years of experience in the log, timber and construction business, will benefit in meeting the needs of all customer specifications with mill-direct sales of log home materials.

BCLH is committed to offering the best that the log home industry has to offer. Modern techniques of construction, such as precision-cut dovetails and insulation between each log, make your present-day log home more energy efficient. The logs are sold by the lineal foot in random lengths or precut and numbered for your convenience and easy assembly.

BCLH offers a large selection of log styles and wood species that ensures an air- and water-tight home for generations to come. We are sure that once you have seen the product you will be favorably impressed with both the superb quality and durability of construction.

BCLH's most popular log style is the 6-by-12-inch double tongue and groove, log on log with the dovetail corner system. The 6-by-12-inch log can be purchased with or without chinking joints, hand hewn, smooth, V-grooved or in any combination. Round and D-style logs are available in 6- and 8-inch diameters with corner systems dovetail, saddle notch or butt and pass. Logs are connected using screws and dowel pins and sealed with horizontal foam gaskets and caulking.

The logs are milled from eastern white pine, southern yellow pine or western red cedar. All logs are air dried or kiln dried. Eastern white pine, the wood of choice, is easy to work with and is known for the fewest problems in twisting and checking. Our strict log grading system assures you of receiving top quality, uniform and consistent logs.

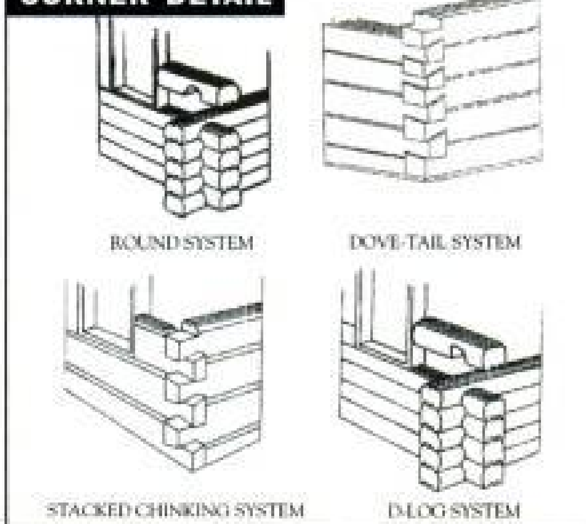
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Product Literature

Our Heritage, Your Legacy..... ..48 pages $15.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B330

Company Information

Are you dreaming of a home out of the ordinary? The Boone family takes pride in building the very best log home for your hard earned money. We take pride in our old-fashioned values like honesty, excellent craftsmanship and dedication to quality service.

It is the mission of Boone Log Homes to make our customers' log home dreams become reality. We try to establish a total understanding of our customers' needs from the first step to the finished product. We listen to our customer to establish each one's needs in every way.

Our commitment is simple, helping our customers find and build the home of their dreams. We strive to do everything in our power to make sure you are as delighted with your home as we are.

Boone Log Homes' sales and service representatives have impeccable reputations of integrity with years of experience in real estate, construction and the building of our log homes. We are here to serve your every need six days a week, and always available by appointment. Our staff will guide you through every stage of your log home building. We will take you from the idea stage to the finished home.

Customer satisfaction is our number one priority. We maintain control over many services other companies refuse to consider. Boone Log Homes Inc. maintains a design department to assure your plans are as you requested, down to the very last detail. We use our own builders that have years of experience in building log homes and pay close detail to all your wishes.

Our customers have a choice of construction: stacked chinking system, D-Log system, saddle D-Log system, round system, dovetail system. Our staff will explain the differences between these before you decide on the details of your plans and construction.

Choose from an exceptional variety of floorplans or let the professionals of Boone Log Homes custom design the personalized home of your dreams. Boone Log Homes has built superior homes across the United States. We'll make your log home dreams come true, too! *Our heritage is your legacy for future generations.*

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Product Literature

Catalog..................................40 pages $12

Company Information

BPB has been producing and pressure treating quality log homes for more than 20 years. BPB Log Homes are borate pressure treated for year-round protection, pre-cut for ease of assembly and produced from quality materials for lasting value. BPB offers three tongue-and-groove designs in 6-inch and 8-inch widths: standard D-Log, half bevel, full bevel and 6-by-12-inch dovetail logs. BPB logs are pre-cut to length, pre-drilled for spikes and numbered for ease of identification. BPB uses a mortise-and-tenon corner joinery system. Spikes, wall rods with tension springs, installation hardware, saturated foam gasket and log caulk are also included in the log wall system.

BPB logs are machine milled from selected eastern white pine logs according to the style you have chosen. BPB logs, rafters, and loft joists are pressure treated with an EPA approved borate solution to protect your investment from wood ingesting insects and decay.

Although we have standard models, we can manufacture a BPB log home to suit your individual needs.

BPB will deal directly with you—our customer. No middlemen or dealer commissions to unnecessarily add to the cost of your home.

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Product Literature

You Dream, We Create $15

Company Information

Bridger Mountain Log Homes Inc. continues a tradition of excellence. They specialize in custom design and work closely with customers to provide the log package that reflects their lifestyle. In addition to log packages, log accent packages are available.

The company offers both traditionally milled and handcrafted logs with a Swedish-cope profile, saddle-notched corners and handcrafted full-chink logs. The company uses naturally cured lodgepole pine and Engelmann spruce with an average moisture content of 14 to 18 percent at the time of log package shipment. Logs are graded to meet Timber Products Inspection guidelines. Wall logs vary in lengths up to 25 feet and are offered in diameters of 7 to 12 inches. Structural logs vary in lengths up to 34 feet with diameters determined by engineering requirements. The company allows for settlement by using post adjusters at structural bearing points and settlement spaces over windows and at interior wall locations.

Each package is engineered to meet structural requirements at the customer's building location. In addition to in-house, computer-aided design, the company offers site plan consultation, onsite technical assistance for the builder and turn-key construction services.

We are continuing to expand our builder dealer network to meet the needs of our customers nationally. If you have experience in business and quality construction and would be interested in pursuing the opportunities of being a Bridger Mountain Log Homes Inc. authorized representative, please give us a call.

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Product Literature
Bullock & Company ....16 pages $6
Video ....30 min. $10

Company Information
Timothy J. Bullock has produced expertly handcrafted custom-designed log and timber structures throughout North America since 1979. He has earned an impeccable reputation in the field for fitting massive white pine logs and timbers into dwellings, which are works of art. Clients from Maine, Vermont, Michigan, South Carolina, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Idaho, New Mexico, Nevada, California and Canada are responsible for the continuing success of Bullock & Company. These discriminating individuals went beyond their own geographic boundaries in search of the designer/builder who they believed could best create their dream home.

Scandinavian, Ontario dovetail or heavy timberframe, Bullock & Company's expert master craftsmen carve dream log homes designed to personally reflect the individual dreams, needs and budgets of each client. Bullock & Company offers a complete in-house design service. Timothy works closely with every client through the design and drawing of plans, giving personal attention to lifestyle needs.

His love for pine as the superior building log does not preclude his artistic use of specialty timbers of oak, cherry, butternut, fir, yellow birch or ash. A client may choose a unique species or recycled timbers to be incorporated into truss work and heavy roof systems. Bullock & Company is widely recognized in the industry for its fine execution of intricate heavy timber roof systems. They will incorporate single, double, and triple hammerbeam trusses, king and queen post trusses, as well as custom carved king posts and feature cross house beams from a variety of unique species.

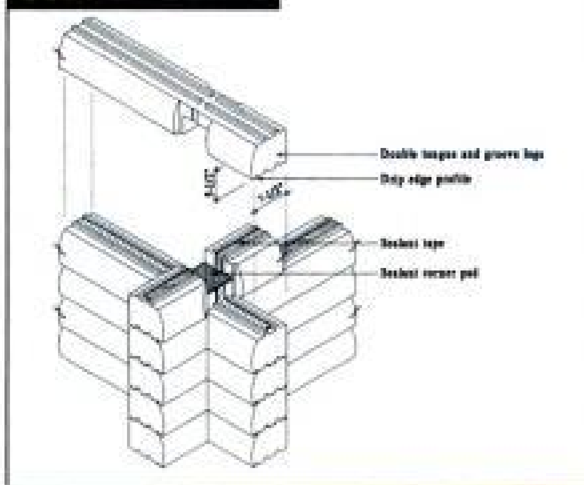
Bullock & Company builds with knowledge and respect for wood that only years of hands-on experience can provide.

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Company Information
Caledon Log Homes takes pride in using only the finest building products, constructing our homes out of Ontario white pine or British Columbia cedar. We use only winter-cut wood (in winter the sap has stopped running and the wood contains only fiber, with no natural sugars to attract boring insects and worms that can disfigure the lumber). After being sawn into square timbers, the wood is carefully stacked on spacers for proper air drying.

Our computerized notching machine cuts the interlocking saddle-notch corners to exact tolerances, providing a degree of fit that was previously unheard of in the log construction industry.

With more than 25 years of experience behind our system, Caledon concentrates on building methods directed at maintaining long-term structural integrity and beauty.

It is these seemingly small details that separate Caledon Log Homes from the competition now, and for generations to come.

Each row of logs features a unique drip edge that allows rain to flow freely down the outside of the wall, stopping the water from becoming trapped between the logs where it could eventually cause deterioration.

Since wood is a natural material, some checking (cracking) will occur during the curing process. This checking tends to develop on the surface of the log that is closest to the center, or heart, of the wood. By employing a log profile that is thicker than it is high we can control where much of this checking will take place. That is, on the top and bottom surfaces of the logs, where it is neither visible nor exposed to the elements.

Windows and doors, including trim, are set back into the log walls so that rain or snow cannot become trapped on top, where moisture build-up can cause damage to the units and the log walls around them.

Large roof overhangs protect the logs from all types of weather, as well as supplying protection from the hot summer sun. In the wintertime, when the sun is low in the sky, the sun's rays can come in under the eaves to supply warmth and light.

Our standard material package includes all materials necessary to complete the weathertight construction of the log home from subfloor to roof, including windows and doors, interior stud partitions and 25-year-warranty shingles.

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Company Information
Caribou Creek Log Homes is a custom designing, handcrafted log home company that is dedicated to building unique and extraordinary log structures that are truly a reflection of their customers' individual tastes and lifestyles.

Owner David Byler and his staff of experienced log craftsmen, along with his full-time drafting staff, have made an art of turning your dreams into reality.

Utilizing logs that are native to its north Idaho home, Caribou Creek works closely with its local logging companies to select only the best quality logs available. Lodgepole pine, Engelmann spruce and white pine are hand-selected and independently graded ensuring that only the straightest and most structurally sound logs go into its homes.

Caribou Creek offers several different styles of construction, including chink style, Scandinavian full scribe and square beam dovetail, making your choice of home construction as unique as your handcrafted log home itself.

Whether your dream is a small cabin in the woods, a custom designed home or a large commercial structure, your dream will become a reality in the hands of the craftsmen at Caribou Creek Log Homes.

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Company Information
Since 1976, Centennial Log Homes has specialized in handcrafted log houses constructed of high-mountain, winter-harvested Engelmann spruce logs. Engelmann spruce is a premier house building log, with few pitch pockets and limited spiral. It is very white and fine-grained. The average log diameter is between 12 and 14 inches, with larger diameters sometimes available.

With log lengths up to 50 feet, there are no visible butt joints. Our handcrafted homes are Scandinavian full scribe with double V-notch corners for strength. All the logs in our homes are graded according to Timber Products Inspection standards, and our logs are air dried to a moisture content of 19 percent at time of shipment.

The lateral grooves and corner notches of each home are insulated with fiberglass insulation. All log butts are sanded, curled, and chamfered. Through bolts and steel pins are included as required for building integrity. Each log package is completely pre-cut to fit before the log package is shipped to the home owner's building site. And with all our log homes, we include the services of our Master Logsmith to direct the re-assembly of the log package at your home site.

While Centennial offers many standard plans, ranging from 320-square-foot cabins to over 5,000-square-foot luxury homes and lodges, nearly 100 percent of the houses produced are either custom plans or customized versions of stock plans. Let our in-house design team work with you to create the log home of your dreams.

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CLEARWATER LOG HOMES

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Product Literature
Brochure ....Free

Company Information
Clearwater Log Homes has been building authentic, custom handcrafted log homes since 1981. Our logs are selected and hand picked from the massive log forests of northern Idaho. Western larch and western white pine are our primary logs but other species are available upon request. Your logs will be hand peeled with a drawknife in order to retain the protective insulating layer and to enhance the natural coloring and character of each log.

We specialize in the Scandinavian full-scribe building method which results in very tight-fitting wall logs. We are also very familiar with the chink-style method of construction which is available at a lower cost. Your home will be entirely constructed at our log yard by highly skilled logsmiths using chain saws and traditional hand tools. Your house is then reassembled by our crew on your home site thus assuring our high standard of quality control.

Clearwater Log Homes has a complete architectural design staff available to aid in the customizing of your dream home. Some of the many options that can be incorporated into your home are full log gable ends, log archways, porch support logs, loft sundecks, log rails, etc. Our pricing is based on linear feet of log work, number of log corners and the log diameter you choose. We offer logs starting at 12 inches up to a massive 48-inch log diameter.

We take special pride in our high-quality craftsmanship as well as our desire to fulfill the customer's log home expectations. Our philosophy of personal service and standing behind our product has won us the respect and loyalty of our satisfied customers.

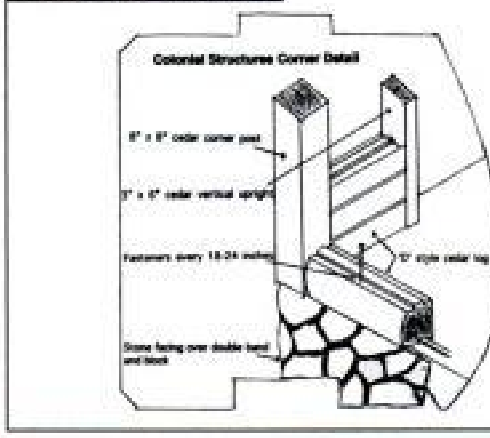
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Product Literature
Catalog.................................34 pages $6
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B303
Video-Magic of Cedar................20 min. $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X303
Catalog & Video Package...............................$14
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore......#BX303

Company Information
Colonial Structures has been producing quality cedar log home packages for more than 20 years. The company has also designed and manufactured condominiums, churches and restaurants. CSI produces tongue-and-groove logs in a variety of sizes and profiles. Homes may be custom designed. Only cedar is used for the log walls.

Cedar (northern white or western red) is naturally resistant to insects and decay. It has less shrinkage, is easy to work with and has the highest insulating value. Our faith in the amazing wood is affirmed to by our lifetime limited warranty.

CSI produces 6-by-6-inch, 6-by-8-inch and 6-by-12-inch log dimensions. The D-style is the most popular. It is round on the outside and flat on the inside. The 6-by-12 inch offers optional chinking grooves.

All logs are milled to the desired profile and most have a drip edge to keep rain from the joints. The primary building system for the company is post and beam. Uprights placed at strategic points in the home bear the weight of the structure and make it extremely strong. Industrial caulking is applied between the ends of the logs and the uprights to form a weathertight seal. Trim caps cover the upright both inside and outside. Other building options are available.

A foam gasket is applied on top of the log tongue. Fasteners from 5 through 14 inches (depending on the log profile) are used to secure the logs to the uprights and to the other logs. The caulk is also applied to either side of the tongue to secure a tight seal.

Post-and-beam construction and the stability of the cedar logs require no adjustments for settling. The most commonly used corner is an 8-by-8-inch post. However, a variety of corner options are available, including butt and pass and dovetail, on the 6-by-12-inch timbers.

Quality is why so many people, including some of NASCAR's most recognizable names, choose CSI. Call about our 20 home driving tour.

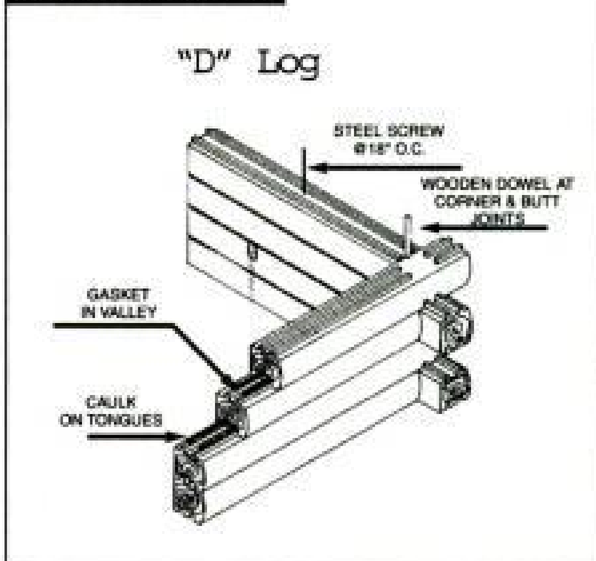
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Product Literature
Daniel Boone Log Homes........40 pages $5
Construction/Finished Homes......15 min $25

Company Information
With more than 65 years of log home expertise we still do things the old-fashioned way—good quality at a fair price. Doing business in all 50 states has provided us with a proven track record that our products work well in all climates and terrains. Daniel Boone is a factory direct distributor to the end customer. This saves you money by eliminating the middle man. We strive to offer more log styles than our competitors to give each customer their dream home. All of our log packages are dried and our timber products inspected to the highest standards. They carry a lifetime warranty for the peace of mind that your log home can be passed on to the next generation.

Daniel Boone Log Homes offers one of the widest ranges of log styles in the industry. We use eastern white pine logs standard, but will sell red cedar, lodgepole pine, spruce or ponderosa pine. By offerings the classic "D" logs—full, round, square, chink, square bevel or handhewn logs—you can get what you, the customer, want. Our corners can be saddle-notched, dovetailed, interlocked or butt and pass. American Made—Honest Value.

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Product Literature
Brochure ....4 pages ....Free
Planning Kit ....67 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B352

Company Information
An unwavering commitment to quality is one of the first things that you will notice upon meeting an Expedition Log Homes employee, field representative or home owner. It's a common bond that we all share.

Quality product, quality service, quality design, quality experience. Characteristics that define who we are and what we stand for. Our experienced professionals put their talent and knowledge to work with you through every phase of the project. We believe that each project has the opportunity to set a new standard and enthusiastically work to assist you in realizing your ideas within the budgetary framework that you've set.

Using more than 40 combined years of experience, the craftsmen at Expedition Log Homes have designed a log style for every taste. We use kiln-dried logs to ensure stability and eliminate any insects or bacteria that may be in the wood. Available in pine or cedar and handcrafted with a drawknife, our log packages feature only logs cut from the heart of the log.

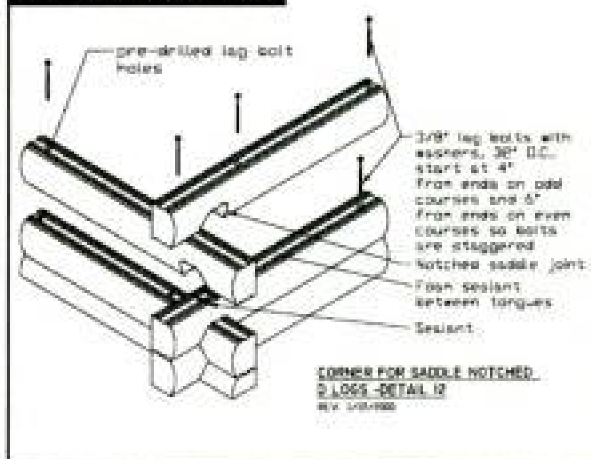
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Product Literature
Catalog..................................29 pages ....Free

Company Information
Fireside has been building quality log homes and relationships since 1984. We take our responsibilities as a builder and log manufacturer very seriously so that our customers can have fun with the process of designing, building and living in their dream. Our primary goal has always been to produce the highest quality product at the most reasonable price possible.

You can buy a cheaper log, but you can't buy a better log. Instead of air or kiln drying, our logs are pressure injected/bathed with a wood-stabilizing agent, the maximum amount of Borate that is water-soluble and biocides, ensuring that protection becomes a part of the log inside and out, not just sitting on the outside surface of the log. This environmentally friendly wood treatment system has been dubbed Process 2000 and has a ten year or more success rate. In non-technical terms, this process provides the most worry-free log on the market in that it minimizes shrinkage and checking, plus eliminates the threat of wood boring insects. An investment in our logs is your insurance for long-term low maintenance and lasting beauty. We guarantee it!

Fireside's experienced, friendly staff is ready to assist you in planning, designing and building your log cabin or home. Our in-house construction crews are ready to provide dry-in or turn-key services or anything in between. We will do as little or as much as you need us to. The Fireside team comes together with a deep commitment to make this process one of the most gratifying experiences in our customers' lives.

Fireside strives to be the best log home manufacturer—not the biggest. Come to one of our free monthly workshops and meet our staff. These seminars are fun and educational with absolutely no hard-sell techniques. At Fireside we can truthfully say we pressure treat our wood, not our customers.

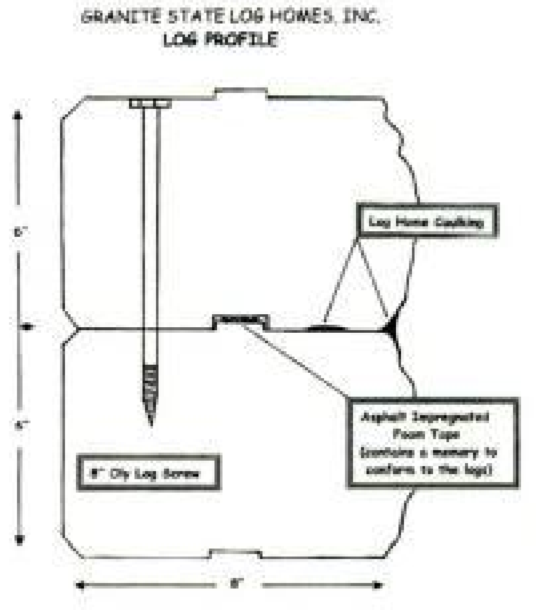
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Product Literature
Brochure ....12 pages ....Free

Company Information
Granite State Log Homes Inc. is large enough to produce homes of every size, yet small enough for our logsmiths to take the necessary time to handcraft and fit each log. All logs are pre-cut and notched with exacting precision and hand peeled to give every home a unique and individual character. We select only the finest eastern white pine logs for our homes and we control the quality throughout the entire process. We actually assemble your home at our mill and, during the disassembling process, we number each log and pack it in reverse order. Upon arrival, the first log off the delivery truck is the first log needed for your foundation.

Although we do provide ideas in the way of floorplans, we specialize in producing your custom-designed home. Granite State Log Homes Inc. houses our own designers and will be looking forward to creating your dream home with you.

We provide one of the most comprehensive kits on the market. From the carrying beam through the roof system, Granite State Log Homes Inc. provides more quality, more material and more options.

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Product Literature
Brochure and Info Packet ....Free
Catalog and Plansbook ....50+ pages $15

Company Information
GreatLand Log Homes constructs high-quality, full-round handcrafted log homes at competitive pricing, offering design, log package kits, dry-in packages and turn-key construction. With extensive experience and a vast understanding of log home design and construction, we make each project as individual as you are. Comprised of a diverse staff of engineers, builders and designers, we have firsthand knowledge of how your logs will perform and be used most efficiently. Throughout your GreatLand experience you will see that our company demands excellence and quality and operates with integrity and professionalism in all we do.

At GreatLand Log Homes we also believe in the personal touch. As the owners, we invite you to be interactive not only in the design and detail of your log home, but to be present at the assembly of your log package.

The log package is fabricated at our log yard utilizing TPI graded full round logs and is then disassembled, shipped to your project and re-assembled at your job site in approximately one to three days! Each log is hand-selected for quality, hand-peeled and hand-scribed (full scribe) to construct a superior log package. We offer 12 and 16 inch mean diameter logs, joined at the corners with a saddle-notch or V-notch scribe. All logs are full length, leaving no visible vertical butt joints. The logs are fastened utilizing through-bolt connectors at all corners and at other strategic locations. All log packages are hand-built by master craftsmen. Our standard log wood species is spruce, available both in dry standing dead and winter-harvested, but we also offer pine, fir and western red cedar.

We handcraft log structures ranging from small, cozy cabins to extravagant log homes and lodges. Visit our informative web site with more than 50 standard plans or call us to get your project started.

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Product Literature
Greystokes Plan Catalog..........25 pages ....Free
Interactive CD..Free

Company Information
Greystokes produces cabin and cottage plans and materials packages. We offer in-house design and engineering to suit any custom needs.

We provide top-quality materials at mill-direct prices and ship anywhere. Our western red cedar home exteriors come pre-stained in your choice of more than 100 colors.

Our models under 900 square feet come pre-cut, marked and color coded and are supplied with a comprehensive 50-page manual.

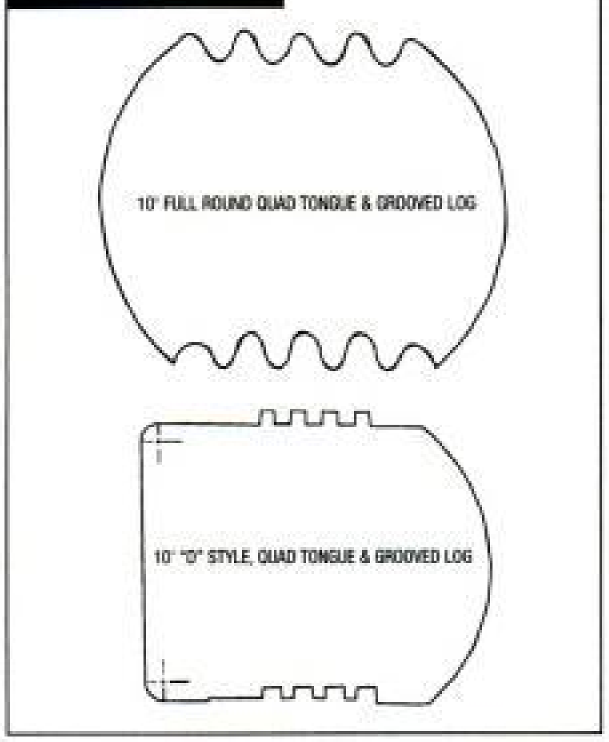
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Product Literature

Plan & Price Brochure ....8 pages $5

Company Information

Located on U.S. Highway 20 about 100 miles west of Chicago, Illinois. Heartbilt Homes has more than 200 homes located within a half hour drive of its office, as well as homes in the Midwest, Great Lakes region and foreign countries.

Heartbilt Homes has been in business more than 30 years. The Plan & Price Brochure is one of the most complete in the industry and offers a "No Surprise Warranty."

Logs are available in 8-, 10- and 12-inch diameters. Each log is quadruple tongue and groove with an anti-check groove to reduce surface checking and aid with drying. A settling of 3/4 inch is allowed above wall openings. There is no caulking or chinking required between the logs after they have been erected.

The log profiles include: milled full-round logs, Swedish coped logs and D-style logs, all with full interlocking corners, smooth or hand-peeled exterior or interiors.

Each home is custom designed to meet the wants, needs, budget and job site of the owner. Heartbilt Homes personally looks at your job site, then helps you place the home on the site to take advantage of the view, the sun and everything it offers. Guidance is provided for septic system placement and installation, tree growth and brush removal, well location, driveway installation and landscaping. Estimates of your total building costs are provided before the final plans are drawn. For those who intend to act as their own general contractor, bids will be checked to see that the customer is receiving the proper ingredients and quality at a fair price.

Our state-of-the-art production mill features precision milling equipment. It is available for viewing Monday through Friday by appointment.

Each customer buying a Heartbilt home will have a tree planted on his or her land or in a national park or wilderness area in his or her name.

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Product Literature

Hearthstone Catalog ....56 pages $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B124
Hearthstone Video ....20 min. $12
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#X124
Hearthstone Multi-Media CD $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#Y124
Catalog & CD Package $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore......#FY124

Company Information

Founded in 1971, Hearthstone has manufactured and delivered more than 3,000 log home packages in the United States and overseas, including homes for singers Johnny Cash, Michael Martin Murphy and Charlie Daniels; NASCAR race car driver Richard Petty; and All-Pro football player and coach Bill Curry.

The houses are marketed direct and through a network of independent representatives throughout the country.

The logs are squared, hewn and chamfered to retain the look and appeal of the traditional Appalachian dovetail style of log home construction.

The standard log sizes begin at 6-by-12 inch in lengths up to 40 feet.

Also available exclusively from Hearthstone is the Bob Timberlake Log Home Collection which has naturally shaped logs ranging in size up to 8-by-22 inch.

The Hearthstone log system is designed to accommodate the inherent shrinking and settling that occurs when building with large logs.

This system incorporates a special window jamb and spline design that enables the house to settle naturally over a period of time. Hearthstone also offers handcrafted timber frame homes in the wood of your choice.

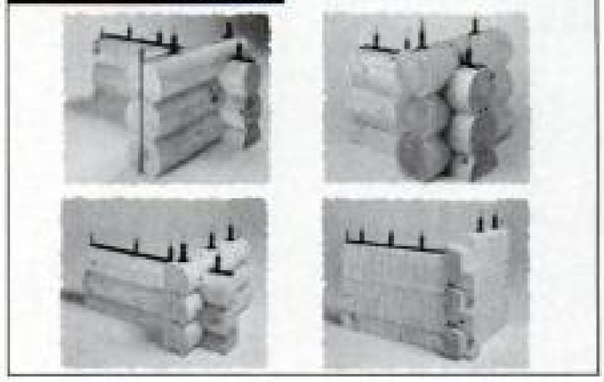
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Product Literature

Build Your Dream Home...........80 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B125
Video-Build Your Dream Home ..30 min. $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#X125
Catalog & Video Package $19.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ....#BX125

Company Information

Heritage Log Homes Inc. prides itself on offering our customers not only a high-quality log home, but a high-quality log home at an affordable price, and backed by outstanding service. Since 1974, Heritage has been a leading multi-national manufacturer selling through its National Sales Model in Tennessee and an extensive independent dealer network.

Heritage provides design services assisting our clients wishing to modify a standard plan or even create a completely custom home from their own dream design. The company's log systems allow a great deal of flexibility in the selection of luxury options, features and styles. Standard models are available in five log profiles, including: the patented 8-inch, full-round log wall; the 8-inch, flat-round or D-log; the 6-by-12-inch hand-hewn log system; the 10-inch full-round log wall; and our massive new 12-inch full-round log system. We also offer a peeled log finish on both our 10- and 12-inch log profiles.

All Heritage log homes feature a self-aligning double tongue-and-groove design with our newly patented, self-tightening, maintenance-free, through-bolt log fastening system with compression spring technology for superior stability and outstanding settling control. Heritage uses select-grade pine but also offers white and red cedar as an upgrade. The logs are air dried and machined to precise dimensions (the 6-by-12-inch series is then masterfully hand-hewn) and all our logs and timbers are protected with EPA-approved wood preservatives and borate treatments.

Heritage's 8-inch series features a patented (Patent #4,901,489) double tongue-in-groove saddle notch. The 6-by-12-inch hand-hewn series full dovetail notch is designed and manufactured to produce a tight fit between the logs. The 10-inch series also uses an interlocking saddle notch corner. Double strips of PVC foam gasket, applied during construction, seal the horizontal joints with Log-Lok™ insulated splines at the butt joints. Every log home we deliver comes with a factory representative to provide onsite technical assistance to make sure everything starts out properly. Heritage also backs all its log homes with a lifetime limited warranty. Visit our National Sales Model at Exit 407 off Interstate 40 in Tennessee near Knoxville and Pigeon Forge. Order our award winning catalog today and begin the search for your log home!

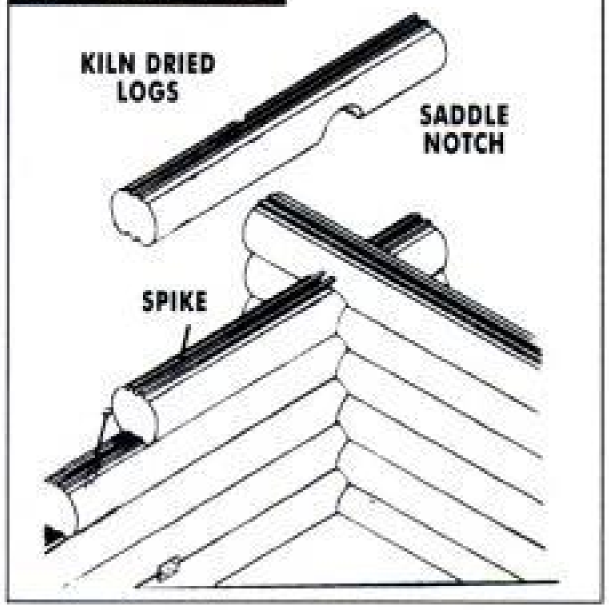
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Product Literature
Bringing Tradition
to the New Millennium..........100 pages....$14.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B189

Company Information
Hiawatha Log Homes, located in the heart of the Hiawatha National Forest, has been producing quality log homes since 1983. Munising, Michigan, on the shore of Lake Superior, is home to Hiawatha's new Sales Center & Design Studio. Every customer receives individual attention and has the opportunity to meet the CAD designer assigned to their project. The design studio provides a personalized relaxed atmosphere where customer and designer can discuss ideas in creating the best design. A Travel Reimbursement program is available.

Red pine logs are available in large diameter profiles–8-by-12-inch. Cedar is available in 8-inch. Log profiles include: Hand-hewn, tongue-and-groove, D-Log, traditional round and Swedish cope. Our popular hand-hewn profile provides the look of a handcrafted home, combined with the kiln-dried structural dependability and ease of construction of a milled product. Double tongue-and-groove and Swedish cope systems are both designed to provide a tight, permanent fit. All corners are saddle notched, increasing the structural integrity of the wall system, while maintaining the aesthetic quality of a finely crafted log home.

Construction benefits include a complete builder's manual, detailed log layout, pre-cut numbered logs and on-site technical assistance. Delivery is available nationwide.

Financing programs and lending assistance are available nationwide. For those ready to build in the next 30 months, Hiawatha offers a Freeze Future plan to take advantage of today's prices. By systematically reducing the amount of future financing needs with interest-free monthly payments, you can begin to build equity in your new home.

Our award winning planbook is available for $14.95. 100 color pages include home tours, customer testimonials, information on where to begin, general log home component information, floorplans and much, much more.

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Company Information
Highlands Log Structures Inc. specializes in handcrafted log homes. We utilize full-round, full-length logs and craft using the Scandinavian full-scribe method.

There is nothing like the smell, look and feel of a log home. We at Highlands Log Structures Inc. are artisans of handcrafted log homes at their finest.

We believe every individual or family is as unique as the home they plan to build; therefore, we craft only custom homes. We precraft your home in our logyard using full-scribe construction with saddle-notch corner joinery, all hand peeled. We are known for large diameter eastern white pine and eastern hemlock. Highlands Log Structures Inc. is one of the few handcrafters that sends an entire crew for re-erection.

Highlands Log Structures Inc. is conveniently located off I-81, exit 22 on Harrison Road in Abingdon, Virginia. Call us today for your cabin, vacation retreat, log home estate, commercial structure and/or developments. Visit our web site at www.highlandslogstructures.com,
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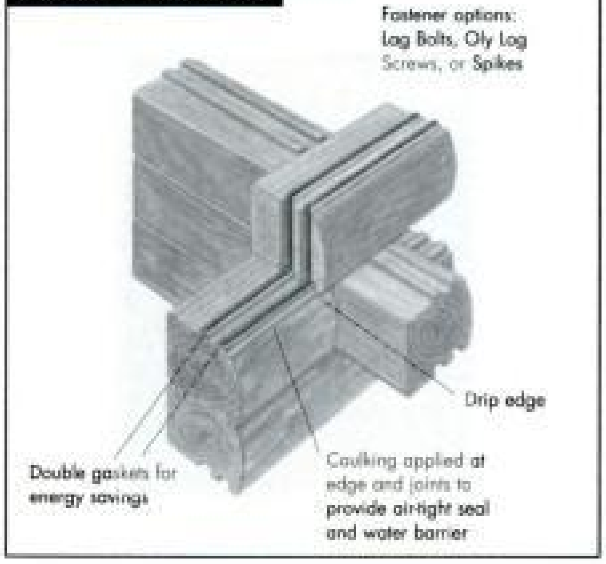
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Product Literature
Pocket Folder and Price List............................Free
Planning Guide & Floor Plans..........................$10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B331

Company Information
Hochstetler Milling Ltd., unlike most log home manufacturers, ships direct from the mill to your home site and can save you 30 to 40 percent on your log home kit. No middleman means less cost to you.

We sell our logs by the linear foot rather than the more expensive precut kits. Contractors tell us they can build our homes just as fast as the kits, since they don't have to search through logs for the next numbered log.

All our milled logs are end squared, which also saves time on the job site, plus you are not paying for defective logs.

We can custom design a floorplan based on your ideas and furnish the complete home package including choice of logs, ceiling and roof beams, fasteners, tongue-and-groove material, railing, sealant, gaskets and insulated roof panels. Or you may want to order logs only, beams only, tongue and groove or perhaps log siding. For a free, no-obligation quote, send us your plans with a letter stating what you want and where.

Our log styles include the D-log, double round and square logs with optional double or single tongue and groove. These come in 4-by-6 inch, 6-by-6 inch, 6-by-8 inch, 8-by-6 inch, 6-by-12 inch and 8-by-12 inch. Available in white pine, western red cedar, white cedar and cypress. Options include kiln dried, air dried or green. Smaller items such as 2-by-6-inch and 2-by-8-inch log siding and 1-by-6-inch and 2-by-6-inch tongue and groove are kiln dried. These sizes in white pine are in stock ready for next-day shipping.

Our logs feature a drip edge for water damage protection, tapered tongue and groove for ease of installation, cut out for weather stripping to lessen wall settling and milling with planer to eliminate resaw marks.

As members of the Log Homes Council, our logs and beams are graded for structural strength and to ensure only the finest quality materials are used.

Call or write for a free brochure or price list to see how much you can save. Dealer inquiries are welcome. We produce more than 100 homes a year and ship virtually anywhere.

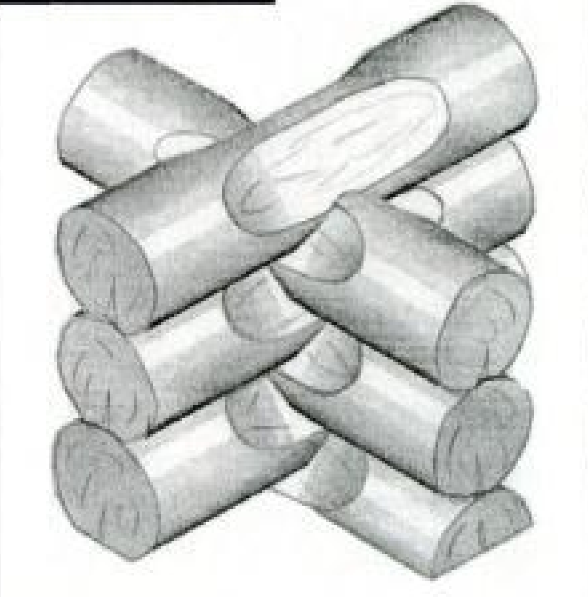
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Product Literature
Brochure ....20 pages ....Free

Company Information
Owners Howard and Linda Williamson founded Custom Log Homes Ltd. in 1978 after Howard took a log home construction course from B. Alan Mackie in Prince George, British Columbia.

Ours is a relatively small company, employing from eight to 15 men, depending on the season, size of project and how many contracts we have. We are small enough to keep a handle on quality, yet big enough to handle larger contracts.

We specialize in handcrafted log buildings. We use full-length Douglas fir logs. We remove only the bark from our logs, preserving the natural contours of the log, including the natural taper. Typically, our logs are 14 to 18 inches on the butt, 11 to 13 inches on the top and up to 50 feet in length.

We fit the logs together using a method known as Scandinavian scribe fit. It is also known as chinkless because the logs fit together so tightly that chinking is not required. In the 23 years we have been in business we have built over 180 log buildings, ranging from small scale cottages to large scale, multiple unit resorts, restaurants and commercial buildings. As a result of this vast experience, we have kept up with the latest techniques in our industry. Some, others have developed and we adapted them to our system; others we developed ourselves. Those familiar with these techniques will recognize shrink-to-fit saddle notches with relief, under scribing and rocker planers.

We also do post-and-beam homes, using natural logs, and we also do some timber frame work.

Almost all our work is from custom plans, developed from the customer's ideas.

We also teach log home construction. Since 1995 we have partnered with Okanagan University College in offering log home construction courses. Annually, we offer one domestic (for English speakers) and one international course. These courses are suitable for those interested in being owner-builders or for those interested in entering the industry.

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Product Literature
Ideas Guide (available on web) $2.95

Company Information
In The Woods Inc. was established to provide the discriminating log home buyer with the quality, service, expertise and the choices necessary to result in a truly exceptional log home.

The Ideas Guide is designed primarily as a starting place. All homes are custom, one-of-a-kind designs specifically suited to your needs and desires. You may have us work with your architect and builder or you can choose to communicate directly with us during the initial stage of the design process.

We customize our package to suit every client. Each In The Woods weathertight shell package is available with precut and numbered exterior wall logs; first-floor system; Andersen vinyl clad, insulated, low-E windows; log or timber framed second-floor system with tongue-and-groove decking; exterior doors; porch posts; deck and rails; interior partition framing; matching log siding for gables and dormers on milled log packages; log or timber framed roof system with tongue-and-groove decking; sheathing; felt and 40-year achitectural shingles; louvers or ridge vents; two-piece fascia and tongue-and-groove soffit with vent system; wood preservative; unloading supervision; one full day of onsite technical assistance and an onsite final inspection.

In The Woods features a selection of log and corner styles that accent the size and character of the log wall members. Log styles include up to 24-inch handcrafted and 8-by-8-inch, 12-by-8-inch, and a variety of milled styles including double round, classic D or notch lap. Your In The Woods log home will look as strong and solid as it really is!

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Product Literature
Where's Home for You ....40 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B179

Company Information
Established in 1966, International Homes of Cedar (IHC) follows the oldest tradition of construction, utilizing the massive strength of solid wood and precision joinery, coupled with state-of-the art engineering in laminated timbers. Using kiln-dried laminated cedar timbers with modern precision-machined interlocking joints, the IHC engineered timber wall features:

- Only wood dwelling system with an ICBO Evaluation Report
- Increased energy efficiency
- Internal vapor barrier
- Available one-hour fire rating
- Superior earthquake and wind resistance
- Exceptional strength and durability
- Reduced maintenance requirements
- Simplicity and ease of construction

IHC offers a variety of wall styles, including our 4-by-8, 5-by-8, D-log, tropical and our trademarked Thermo-lam. Thermo-lam will hold a more even day/night temperature in extreme cold climates where heating is a concern, or in hot climates where costly air conditioning is used.

IHC has a team of professionals who will work with you to develop exactly the right design for your lifestyle. Call today for your free brochure or to order our plansbook.

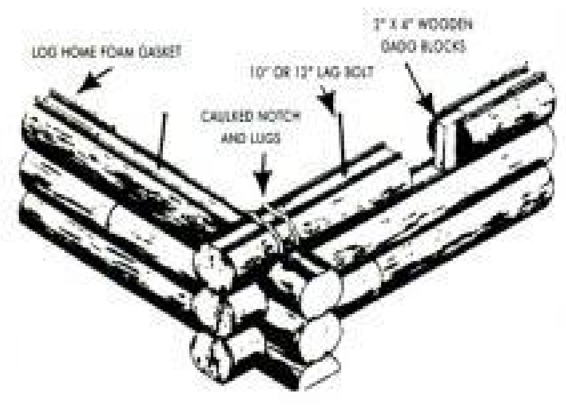
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Product Literature
Design Concepts ....120 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B111

Company Information
For more than 25 years, Jim Barna Log Systems has been a leader in log home technology, innovation and service. For 2002, that tradition continues with a new array of products and services that make our homes the best value you will find.

Jim Barna offers the full range of kiln-dried log profiles in white pine, yellow pine and western red cedar. This year, though, we've added cypress to our offering in our D-log profile, and red pine in our 10-inch round profile. Both these species offer high integrity and a beautiful finish. All our log systems come pre-cut and engineered for fast and easy installation.

JBLS also offers a full range of log decor products, including hand-peeled posts, railings and stairways. Our 10-inch round log profile, too, is offered with a peeled log finish. In addition, log siding is offered to match each of our log profiles. Rafters and beams are offered in square dressed, square hewn, round peeled and round smooth profiles. And our Option 1 materials package is among the most complete packages in the industry.

In 2001 we introduced our Partners program, an arrangement with other product manufacturers, vendors and suppliers to provide a host of finish, decor and other items at special prices for Jim Barna customers. These alliances can save Barna customers thousands of dollars on the finished cost of their homes! Add to this the largest network in the log home industry and you have an unbeatable program.

Jim Barna will continue to offer log home enthusiasts the very best in information and education available through the Jim Barna Log Home Institute. We offer one-day seminars as well as a two-day construction class for all Jim Barna clients and builders. We do all this to ensure the unsurpassed value of our program and the long-term satisfaction of our customers.

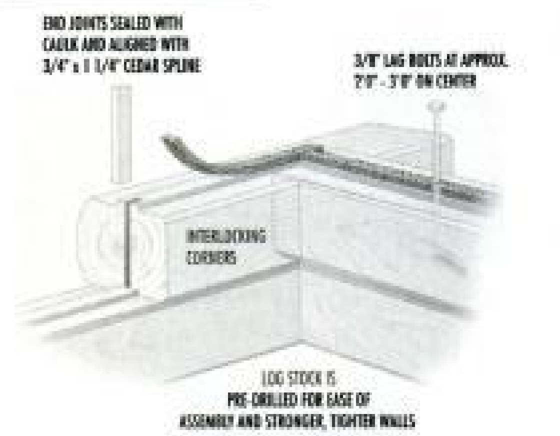
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Product Literature
Katahdin Cedar
Log Homes Portfolio................94 pages $12
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B213
Video-The Dream of Maine.........30 min. $14.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X213

Company Information
Celebrating its 30th year, Katahdin Cedar Log Homes produces log homes, lodges, condominiums and commercial buildings using northern white cedar and white pine from northern Maine. Katahdin uses the whole tree, wasting nothing—making your log home more affordable.

Katahdin cedar logs are hand-selected, sawn, graded and hand-peeled with a drawknife. After air drying for three to nine months to a ten to fourteen percent moisture content, logs are milled to an average thickness of 5 1/4-inches. Logs are tongue-and-grooved on the top and bottom, and milled flat on the inside face. A closed-cell PVC foam strip is applied on top of the tongue to block air and water passage, plus a bead of butyl rubber caulking is affixed outside the tongue to further deter air and water penetration. Corners are mortised and dadoed to interlock. Katahdin's advanced technology in jointing, splining, caulking and forming log walls results in a more weathertight home.

Katahdin offers three standard material packages—starter, shell and complete packages—each incrementally including more materials. For your convenience, 36 standard floorplans are featured in the Katahdin plan book while hundreds of plans can be accessed through our web site plan finder. Katahdin, of course, will custom design your home, too—split foyer, colonial, ranch or contemporary style homes can be delightfully created by Katahdin Cedar Log Homes just for you.

It's the know-how, experience and advanced technology that allows Katahdin to produce homes of lasting beauty and value. Fact is, to help protect your investment, every Katahdin home receives a non-transferable guarantee covering log home materials against material and factory defects for 25 years.

Katahdin dealers market nationally and internationally. For the name of the dealer nearest you, call 800-845-4533 or visit our web site. Selected dealer territories are available.

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Product Literature
Plans/Information Package $5

Company Information
We build top-quality, custom-built, handcrafted log homes using full-length red and/or white pine logs (no butt joints) in the Scandinavian full-scribe method with the scarf notch. You can choose log diameter sizes from 12 to 36 inches.

Proper treatment of logs is essential from start to finish. We purchase logs cut only in late fall to early spring, which is very important. After we remove the bark, we stack them properly and cover them with tarps to keep out the rain while still allowing air circulation to dry out the logs. The logs are stored this way for usually one to three years. Once a home has been built in our log yard, it is covered with these tarps to keep out the elements, protecting the wood until the home is delivered to the customer's property. We pride ourselves in the extra care given to our logs to ensure their original beauty.

We send our crew to deliver and set up the home on the customer's foundation. We also do the roof system up to, but not including, the shingles.

Our homes are not priced by the square foot, but rather by the floorplan, diameter size of logs used, location of delivery of the home and timeframe of delivery.

We have more than 25 years of experience and give very personal service. We are also a dealer of Sikkens Wood Finish.

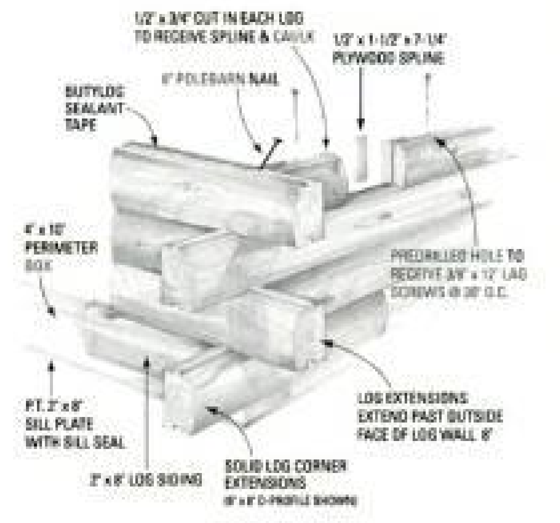
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Product Literature

Catalog and Video Set ....100 pgs $17
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore......#BX190

Company Information

Kuhns Bros. Log Homes Inc., founded in 1983, is located in central Pennsylvania where there is an abundant supply of high-quality white pine logs.

We use what nature has provided and improve upon it by kiln drying the logs, as well as other wood products which go into your home. Kiln drying of logs is essential for several very important reasons. One, the logs are in the kiln an average of 4 to 6 weeks. The temperature is brought up to 170 degrees Farenheit. This effectively pre-shrinks the 6-by-8-inch cants which will be manufactured into a precision-cut log. It also sterilizes the log of insects, sets the pitch to prevent sap runs and significantly reduces the amount of weight you have to handle.

Kiln drying (or pre-shrinking) of the raw material causes the twisting, shrinking and checking to occur before the log is shaped and put in your home. Our LHC certified grading program then selects only the best logs to provide you the highest quality logs and timbers in your log home package.

Integral tongue-and-groove stacking provides easy construction and superior wall strength. Additionally, a drip edge is engineered onto every log, which allows rain water to drip to the ground instead of following the log back into the joints formed by the lower logs. The logs are all sealed with specially formulated butylog caulking. Strong interlocking corners are tightly sealed when using recommended construction techniques to eliminate possible corner drafts.

Recognized for its high-quality, kiln-dried materials, Kuhns Bros. also offers its exclusive No-Shop™ package, which guarantees you all the necessary materials to build your home except for electric, plumbing, heating, kitchen cabinets, masonry, carpet/vinyl and labor. Our No-Shop™ complete package makes finding your total price easy and eliminates expensive extras you have to buy and add to with log home packages produced by other companies. Other features include pre-sorted logs, split-delivery options, onsite technical assistance, construction workshops and a variety of log profiles.

Kuhns Bros. Log Homes is a member of the Log Homes Council of the National Association of Home Builders, BBB and is a proud supporter of the National Arbor Day Foundation.

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Product Literature

Information Package $5

Company Information

As a leader in handcrafted log homes, Legendary Logcrafters has established an enviable reputation for exceptional quality and craftsmanship. Now, based on our years of experience supplying custom-designed homes, we have recently developed a series of innovative log home packages which offer outstanding value while maintaining all the beauty and quality of our custom homes. The strong appeal of the Kwik-Kit is that they are completely installed. Packages are available in designs from 800 to 2,000 square feet.

Kwik-Kit homes provide you with a more complete handcrafted log home package. The nine-foot-high walls are handcrafted from 12-inch to 24-inch diameter, hand-peeled eastern white pine. Included are all exterior doors and windows, second level log floor joists, log stairs, log post-and-beam roof system, 2-inch by 6-inch pine decking for the second floor and porches. Also included are our highly acclaimed insulated roof panels with pine tongue-and-groove interior. For superior protection, the log walls are preserved with a Timber Tec coating.

Each home is handcrafted at our facility to ensure that every component fits and matches perfectly. The home is then carefully organized in kit form and shipped to your site where a team of our skilled craftsmen ensure that every detail of its assembly is professionally completed. All that is required by you is to provide a foundation, subfloor, two laborers and a crane. Assembly will be completed within three to five days.

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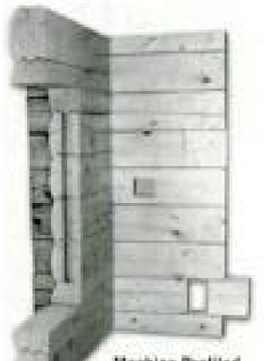
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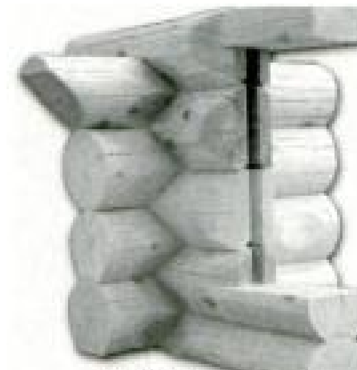
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Company Information

Established in 1989, Lake Country offers the best of both worlds in the log home industry. Customers can choose the full-scribe handcrafted style or combine handcrafted accents with machine profiled (milled) log walls. Lake Country homes are precision manufactured in the forested interior of British Columbia. In-house professional design services and a full range of building materials are available, providing customers with a truly personalized buying experience.

Slabbing and slotting of logs for framing, through-bolt holes, electrical pockets and precut openings with keyways are standard features, making Lake Country's log packages easy to re-assemble and finish.

Machine-profiled packages in a state-of-the-art automated facility are available in spruce, pine or western red cedar. Logs come in 6-by-8 inch or 8-by-8 inch, with a double tongue-and-groove D or flat-on-flat profile and a fully interlocking corner notch. Walls are pre-assembled then labeled and packaged along with foam insulating tape and lags with washers. Timber-style stair and railing kits are also available.

Lake Country's handcrafted division has produced up to 150 home packages per year. Premium quality seasoned, hand-peeled logs are available in Engelmann spruce, Douglas fir and western red cedar. Features include diamond (wedge) notched corners, Swedish cope lateral grooves with fiberglass insulation and bevel-cut door and window openings. Log kits are fully pre-assembled then labeled and loaded for a quick re-assembly on site. Prefabricated log railing and stairs are also available.

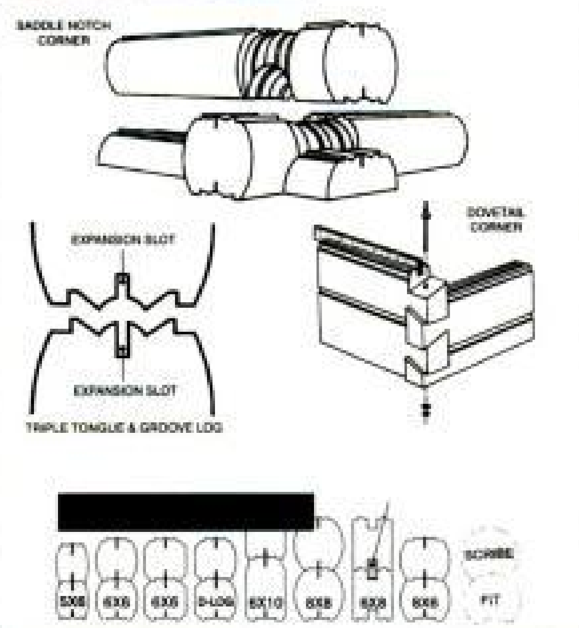
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Product Literature
Catalog With Plans ....39 models $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B191
Video ....11 min. $12
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X191

Company Information
Unique to Laurentien Log Home structures, and tried and tested in the North American market since 1956, is their sophisticated triple tongue-and-groove interlocking system. Their 39 standard models are of varied design, including Quebec steep-pitched bell roof style, Swiss, ranch, Cape Cod, mansard, chalet and a number of others. Homes are shipped mainly in the Eastern United States and Canada as well as overseas to Japan, Israel, the Caribbean and Europe.

The company uses eastern white pine and optionally eastern white cedar and western red cedar. A wide range of standard log sizes is available from 6-by-6 inch to 8-by-8 inch, as well as the Super-R log for those who require higher R-value to meet lending or building codes. All logs are carefully selected according to strict grading standards and must have the same relative moisture content. Kiln drying is an option and custom configurations of size and jointing systems are available for volume purchases with special needs. Round, flat and D- logs are all standard shapes at Laurentien.

Laurentien has a weathertight butt joint system and offers either the saddle notch or dovetail corner. Log corners are all self-draining and interlocking. The window and door openings are pre-engineered to compensate for log settling and to add vertical stiffness to the structure. All packages are completely precut so they will fit together easily on the job site. A through bolting system is used for hurricane and earthquake areas and with larger log dimensions.

No sealants are used between the log courses because the cutting tolerances are so close that a sealant would actually inhibit the locking of the pieces together. Urethane or acrylic caulk can be applied to the joints externally as an extra precaution against any infiltration. Log corners have an insulation space incorporated into the double tongue-and-groove saddle notch and all pieces have expansion slots along their complete length to reduce cracking, checking and twisting.

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Product Literature
Color Brochure ....2 pages ....Free
Welcome Home CD...Free

Company Information
Legacy Log Homes produces precision Swedish cope or chinked-style log homes with many different corner styles created by our talented crew of logsmiths. With more than 30 years of experience, we have earned our reputation as the best in the business having built and delivered more than 500 homes since 1975. We ship to all 50 states.

Dead-standing logs of pine or spruce in diameters of 12 to 18 inches are used in our homes and are hand peeled with drawknives. All homes are built with full-length logs without visible splicing.

The log shell is completely assembled in our log yard before it is numbered, disassembled and then trucked to your home site where it is reassembled under the supervision of two technicians from our log building team. All door and window openings are cut and keyed, as are wall slots for interior partitions where they meet log walls. The average home is reset in two to three days, plus time to cut and key windows, doors and partitions.

Options from Legacy Log Homes include full gable ends, log stairways, dormers, archways, sundecks and railings. We specialize in providing character logs that are unique, with cat- faces, burls, forks and unusual growth patterns to set your dream home apart from the ordinary.

Let our in-house design department help you turn your desires and dreams into reality.

"We build it... as if it were our own!"

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Company Information
As a dynamic company founded in 1992, we are committed to building a tradition of complete customer satisfaction through unparalleled standards. We handcraft the two most popular styles of log homes—the dovetail and Scandinavian full scribe. As an alternative to horizontally stacked log walls, we offer our customers a timber frame option. Our timber frame homes are built using large timbers that are precisely mated using old-fashioned joinery. Every log or timber frame home is built with only the finest hand-selected white pine. Our average wall thickness is 16 inches. Not only will this add to the aesthetic appearance, but it adds considerably to the R-value and thermal mass of your home. Legendary Logcrafters' designers and craftsmen enjoy the challenge of incorporating complicated log or timber roof systems into any home. Our pride is in producing the best log or timber frame home on the market. We cater to those who have high expectations and know the difference between 99 percent and 100 percent.

All of our homes are handcrafted in accordance with the ILB (International) building codes. In order to maintain this high level of quality, we will work closely with your general contractor through to the final completion of your home. A few reasons why Legendary Logcrafters stands out from other handcrafters are the massive size and species of logs used for our homes. Most importantly, the dedication, knowledge and pride achieved by our master craftsmen on each home coupled with their signature touches keep Legendary Logcrafters in high demand.

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Product Literature
Build a Better Life............36 plus pages $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B130

Company Information
Lincoln Logs Ltd.® is your friendly, single-source provider of quality log and post-and-beam home packages, solariums, wood interior and exterior doors, all-wood windows, as well as a full line of design and engineering services. We've helped more than 10,000 families build their dream homes. Our huge inventory gives you the products and prices you need; our local representatives provide the personal touch you want.

Lincoln Logs has corporate offices in the eastern and western regions of the United States as well as British Columbia, Canada. Our logs are manufactured in upstate New York, Idaho and British Columbia. Lincoln Logs also has a nationwide network of 75 authorized and affiliated representatives with model homes available. The company owns and operates five sales models in upstate New York, north/central California, Idaho and British Columbia. Call to find the model home nearest you.

The home package includes a choice of the following wall systems: Lincoln Logs—solid log (milled, Swedish cope and hand-crafted); ThermoHome®—half log siding on super-insulated panelized wall; Lincoln® Post & Beam—contemporary and traditional designs. Exterior finishes include: clapboard, board and batten, cedar shake, vertical tongue-and-groove and more. Our standard home packages include aluminum-clad exterior windows and patio doors, steel or fiberglass entry doors, complete roof system, interior stud partitions and engineered blueprints. Custom windows and doors available to match selected wood species. Lincoln Logs Ltd.® manufactures the following log profiles: D-log, round/round, clapboard, Swedish cope, dovetail and hand hewn. Log species available are eastern white pine, western red cedar, ponderosa pine, Engelmann spruce, Douglas fir and lodgepole pine.

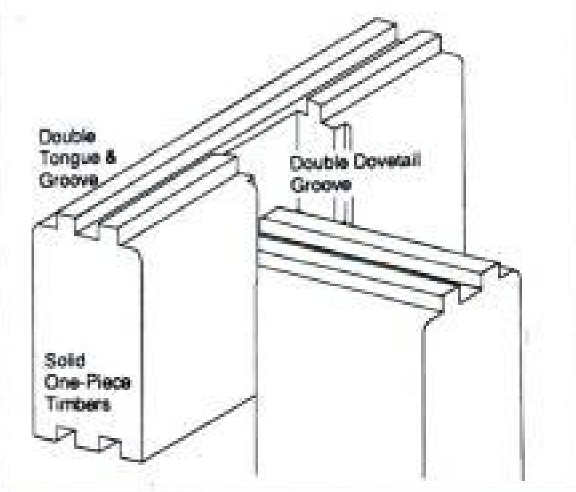
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Product Literature
Lindal Living/Lindal Planning ..272 pages $14.95
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How a Dream Comes to Life Video ....18 min. $9.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X128
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Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#Y128

Company Information
How can you ensure that you will design the log home of your dreams? You've come to the right place! When you choose Lindal's log home design process, you work with the world's leading resource for crafting quality and legendary style into every square foot of your log home design.

Lindal log homes bring all of the beauty of the outdoors into your home. Our log homes marry a warm and rustic aesthetic with time-tested engineering, light-flooded interiors and all the contemporary comforts you want.

Known for the highest-quality materials standards in the home building industry, we carefully screen every piece of our kiln-dried western red cedar for warping and twisting. The Lindal kiln-drying process minimizes settling or checking assuring your cedar log home remains tight and square. Our log home designs are available in:

- 8-inch D Log: 8-inch normal thickness, tongue and groove with interlocking corners and our signature saw kerf design.
- 10-inch Swedish Cope: 10-inch diameter, traditional saddle-notched corners and our signature saw kerf design.
- Refined Solid Cedar Timber: our 4-by-8-inch timber is milled flat on both sides for a smooth, even appearance. Also available in stratus, our laminated timber.

Due to our high-quality material standards, we are able to provide each Lindal home a Lifetime Structural Warranty...the best in the industry.

And, more than 3,000 Lindal floorplans can be built using our solid cedar timber, while the D-Log or Swedish cope log are currently available in more than 20 of our most popular Lindal floorplans. So, whether you want to build a 1,000-square-foot cabin or a 6,000-square-foot-home, there is a log home design in our library to suit your needs.

You can find expertise in your neighborhood on designing a Lindal log home at your authorized Lindal Log dealer.

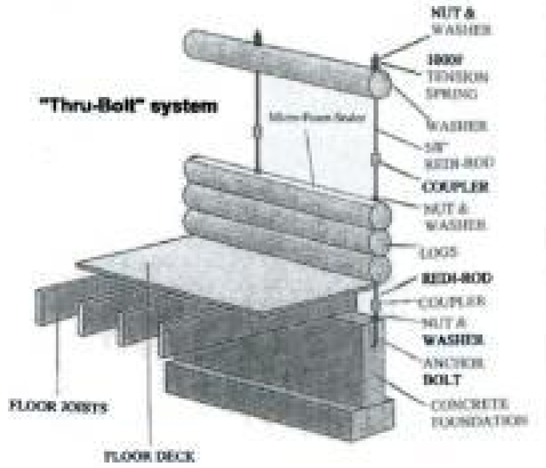
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Product Literature
Harvest to Home $8
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B192

Company Information
Lodge Logs, located in Boise, Idaho, has been a leading manufacturer since 1975. We provide the finest milled logs available. From inception to completion, we are committed to helping you fulfill your dream.

Lodge Logs combines the best of nature and technology. Each log is precisely milled in our state-of-the-art manufacturing facility. Our through-bolt wall assembly and foam sealer secures each home with an exact fit and excellent structural stability. Our innovative designers can assist you with creating a custom home or modify one of our standard floorplans. Each home is designed to meet your local structural requirements.

We offer green-cut western white woods, Douglas fir and western red cedar, all of which are kiln dried to a moisture content of 15 percent or less and graded to TPI standards. Our profiles include a Swedish cope and a D-log, both with a single tongue-and-groove and with saddle-notched corners. The logs are kerf cut to relieve stress and facilitate drying. Every home is pre-cut for windows and doors, pre-notched and pre-drilled for our through-bolt system. This ensures the walls are assembled effortlessly, which makes on-site cutting minimal. Log walls are available in lengths up to 20 feet and diameters range from 6 to 12 inches. We provide on-site technical assistance and our technical supervisors are always available to answer questions throughout the entire construction process.

Lodge Logs is a successful company based on knowledge, experience, teamwork and quality. Our professional staff and experienced dealers are committed to making your dreams a reality. Visit us at www.lodgelogs.com.

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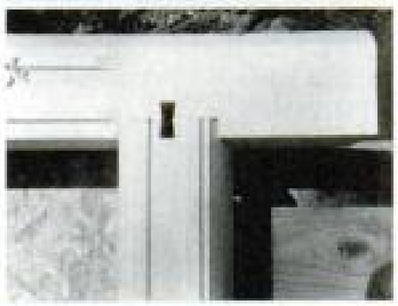
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Product Literature
The Dream Planner ....34 pages $10
Brochure ....Free

Company Information
LHA is a dealer/member manufacturing and service organization. Since its beginning in 1989, LHA has supplied its dealer membership with high-quality log home components so that these dealers can better supply their customers with quality-built log homes.

With a primary mill located in the foothills of North Carolina and outsource mills scattered throughout the marketing area, we are able to provide almost any profile and species of log the customer desires. However, when experience shows that a particular profile or species has not performed well, that information is passed on to the prospective log home owner. Care is taken to see that the corners and butt joints are joined properly and that top-of-the-line sealants are used between and on the exterior of the logs.

Plans are computer generated in house with careful attention to structural integrity. Construction details are provided to assure proper erection. Our in-house grading of materials is far more stringent than professional grading, which it also employs.

Our strength is in our membership. The dealer/members have proven themselves to be professionals in their field. From the showing of their model, description of materials supplied to erection of the package, honesty and integrity will be their guiding principles.

The name of the dealer/member nearest you is available on our web site www.loghomesofamerica.com. If there is no dealer/member located near you, it might be to your advantage to learn more about the reward of being a dealer/member.

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Product Literature
Floorplan Booklet ....24 pages $7
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B289

Company Information
Log Knowledge designs and creates log homes, cabins and commercial structures using hand-peeled, full round, lodgepole pine, Engelmann spruce and Douglas fir/larch timber. Home construction can be accomplished through horizontal log walls or post and beam construction. Log Knowledge also produces log beams, columns and trusses for a variety of applications, including ornamental, structural and commercial. Each log shell is assembled at the Log Knowledge facility in northern Colorado. The prefabricated log shell is then labeled, disassembled and shipped to the owner's site. The shell is then reassembled on the waiting foundation and sub-floor system. Every log shell is a custom product, from the owner's specific design requirements to the unique characteristics of the individual log members. Log Knowledge's in-house drafting department puts the individual owner's thoughts on paper and our skilled craftsmen bring the design to life.

In addition to log shell construction, Log Knowledge offers framing services to facilitate the completion of the home. Our framing department oversees such aspects as floors, frame walls, roof framing, door/window openings, chinking and other site-related work. Log Knowledge craftsmen have over 75 years of combined building experience.

Log Knowledge also offers architectural design, construction drawings and structural engineering services. A 24-page floorplan booklet is available for $7. Log Knowledge also has a free color brochure which further defines its products and services.

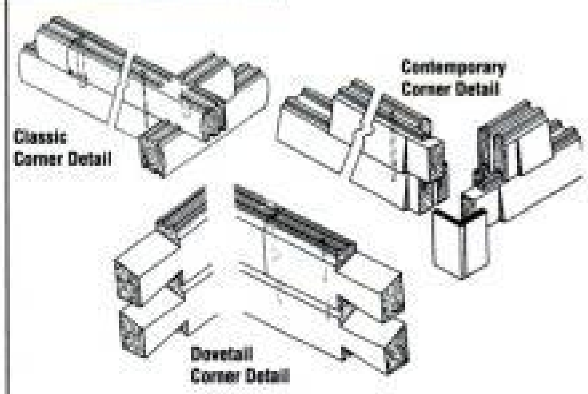
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Product Literature
The Great American Adventure with
Interactive CD........120 pages $14.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore......#BX194
The Great American Adventure with
Video-American Dream...120 pages $14.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore......#BY194

Company Information
Log Structures of the South, a manufacturing and sale facility, was established in 1980. Custom design is our specialty. More than 60 standard designs are offered and can be modified to meet the needs of your family, your budget and your climate as well as site conditions. We are prepared to assist in providing you a custom tailored home to meet your personal taste, budget and lifestyle. Choose from three building material packages: Economy, Homestead or our new Great American Adventure, which contains only the top brand name components.

Log Structures of the South has more than 15 log style profiles with log sizes available up to a 12-by-12-inch. LSS provides you with a choice of five corner styles: saddle notch, Swedish cope, dovetail, contemporary and our most popular classic "D" notch/pass. Log species selections are western red cedar, northern white cedar, eastern white pine and bald cypress.

Each log home package is architecturally designed by computer to comply with national building codes—BOCO, ICBA, and SBCCI (special engineering is available for resorts, commercial buildings as well as residential projects). Every design is integrated into our state-of-the-art computerized production equipment to assure that each home package is consistent with the design chosen and meets our high standards of quality.

Log Structures has been exporting since 1989 and has received four Export 20 Awards from the North Carolina World Trade Association. We are a proud member of the Log Homes Council.

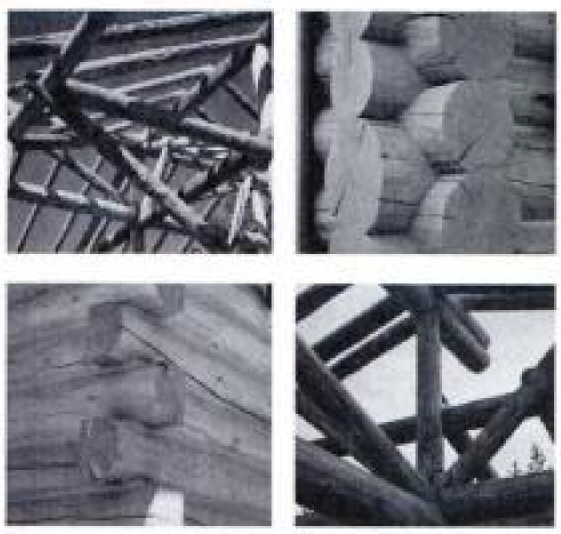
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Product Literature
Photographic Portfolio ....16 pages $6
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B353

Company Information
For more than a quarter of a century, the artisans at Logcrafters have been designing and building award-winning log homes. This team of experienced designers and skilled craftsmen can turn your dream into a uniquely handcrafted log home.

There is a special symbiosis between old-world craftsmanship and modern technology that comes together in a modern handcrafted log home. Logcrafters practices that craftsmanship and has pioneered much of that technology, including insulated log walls. The Sandwich Wall is the original insulated log wall system, and remains the only truly handcrafted one.

Logcrafters designed and built the nationally featured Konicek home, a log home that maintains its own internal temperatures year-round without any traditional heat source.

At Logcrafters, logs are not so much a building system as they are a medium with which to build. Like original art, no two Logcrafters homes are alike. Each Logcrafters home, whether traditional corner scribe (saddle notch), traditional full scribe or the modern Sandwich Wall, bears the mark of the human hands that create it as well as the unique characteristics of each log used.

The Logcrafters difference begins with design integrity and follows through with onsite assembly of your handcrafted home. Each project receives individual attention whether Logcrafters is erecting just the log system or taking on the entire project.

Although the majority of structures are built using 8- to 10-inch minimum of taper lodgepole pine log, up to 20 inches in diameter is available. All logs are T.P.I. graded.

Using techniques with European, Japanese and New England timber frame influence, Logcrafters prides itself on its careful and meticulous joinery used to create sophisticated upper story and roof support systems.

Because each project is one of a kind, Logcrafters has no plan catalog. However, a full-color portfolio is available and questions are gladly answered personally.

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Product Literature
Logcrafters Information Packet $9

Company Information
Logcrafters prides itself on its handcrafted wood joinery. Combining traditional, square hewn, dovetail cornered log walls with timber frame joinery in floor and roof systems, Logcrafters produces one of the finest handcrafted log homes today.

Logcrafters uses seasoned western white pine and spruce logs, sawn to 6-by-12-inch, 8-by-12-inch or 10-by-14-inch dimensions, then hand hewn with an adze. Corner edges are chamfered 45 degrees for chinking application. Full compound dovetail corners are hand cut and fitted in place on each log. Every house is pre-assembled and fit in our yard. A dovetail mortise-and-tenon joint is used to join two logs on long walls. Oak dowels are placed at door and window openings and every 10 feet. After reassembly, the space between logs is filled with "backer rod" and rubberized chinking material.

Using Douglas fir for strength, Logcrafters employs timber framing techniques of mortise-and-tenon joinery to build the floor systems and roof structures. Locking joinery allows our floors to be assembled without nails. Traditional dovetailed truss rafters with purlins or more standard ridge beam and rafter system are used on the roofs. These roof systems can be capped by hand-carved embellished king truss beams or hammer truss beams. Our roof systems accentuate an already beautiful log wall system.

Since Logcrafters is a custom handcrafted log home builder, we do not offer standard plans. We do have floorplan ideas and our designing and drafting department can design the house to fit your lifestyle.

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Company Information
We are a primary producer of log and timber frame kits and components selling direct to builders and individuals. The company's sawmill, dry kilns, planing mill and home manufacturing plant are located on the north shore of Lake Michigan in the heart of some of the finest stands of northern pine and northern white cedar in North America.

Products include many styles and profiles of machined and hand-peeled logs, log siding, tongue-and-groove paneling, pine plank flooring, log rafters, purlins and beams, hand-hewn log and timber trusses.

Architectural design services are available in house. Engineering services are available from a local licensed professional engineer. Our homes stand the test of time because we control the manufacturing process from the forest to the job site. Our buildings have survived hurricane Camille in 1969, David in 1979 and Andrew in 1992. Even 18 feet of snow in East Glacier, Montana, did not cause any structural damage.

Our ability to control all aspects of the manufacturing process, along with our commitment to quality, means that we can provide savings for you now, with lower prices and savings for you later by producing a more durable product.

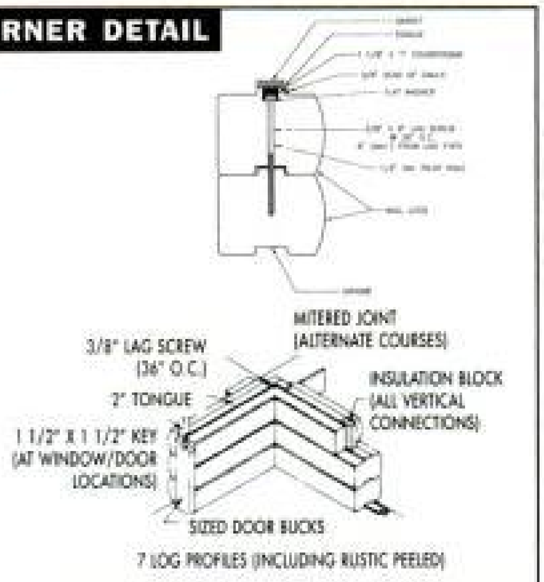
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Product Literature
Log Home Excellence..............80 pages $12.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B132
Video-The Cure for Cabin Fever ..35 min $7.50
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X132

Company Information
Lok-N-Logs Inc. markets its precut log home packages through a nationwide dealer network and its home office/model village sales complex. Lok-N-Logs also has distributorships in Europe and Asia.

In 1992, Lok-N-Logs became the first log home manufacturer committed to pressure treating all log components with sodium borate, an EPA-registered preservative. We offer the industry's first transferable lifetime warranty against damage to your log components by wood-digestive insects or decay. Sodium borate will not change the wood's natural appearance, has no unpleasant odors and provides protection for logs without potentially hazardous solvents.

Using primarily plantation grown red or white pine, Lok-N-Logs saws, peels, kiln dries, pressure treats and fully pre-cuts your log home components. We offer a wide range of log style choices and our precut log packages result in substantial construction cost savings. Exterior log surfaces can be rustic peeled, milled with a curved smooth finish or shiplapped for a clean, contemporary clapboard look. Interior choices include our signature rustic peeled profile, as well as shaped profiles which can be milled with a curved face or milled flat with beveled edges. Log styles may be mixed within the same house.

Wall logs are 6 inches high with 8- to 11-inch diameters. The log interface system consists of a 2-by-1/2-inch single tongue-and-groove, covered with our exclusive 2-inch-wide, closed cell gasket pad, sealed with an internal bead of caulk. Fasteners are lag screws spaced a maximum of 3 feet on center. Log wall corners are precut mortise-and-tenon joints with relief grooves, gasket and caulk to protect against air and water infiltration. Our top-of-the-line packages include Andersen Hi-Performance, tilt-wash, energy-saving windows and fiberglass insulated door systems.

Member, NAHB and Log Homes Council. Look for additions to our standard model line in our plans portfolio.

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Product Literature
CD—Building a Boulder $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#Y334

Company Information
Located in beautiful Gallatin Gateway, Montana, Lumberjack Log Homes has been producing top-quality log homes since 1981. As we're sure you're aware, there are many different companies with many different log profiles. Lumberjack Log Homes is proud to offer a Swedish cope log with saddle-notched corners. We use only naturally cured, dry, dead-standing lodgepole pine. It's important to us that you know quality is our number one priority, from product and price to service.

LJLH is the manufacturer, not just a marketing company or advertising agency. In dealing with the manufacturer, you eliminate brokers and middlemen affording the lowest possible price. Because we are the manufacturer, we keep quality of the product under control right here in our own mill. Quality of service means you get our undivided attention. Each home is produced one at a time on a first come, first serve basis. LJLH offers a drafting service to help you with your custom plans. Or you can choose from one of our standard floorplans that can easily be modified to suit your needs. Our years of experience in designing custom log homes allows you to choose a custom design that will provide you with a unique and beautiful expression of your individual personality resulting in the log home of your dreams.

From a quality product to competitive pricing and service that's unmatched...we think all this means something. At Lumberjack Log Homes, details matter and we care about your dream! Let us help you turn your dream into something tangible!

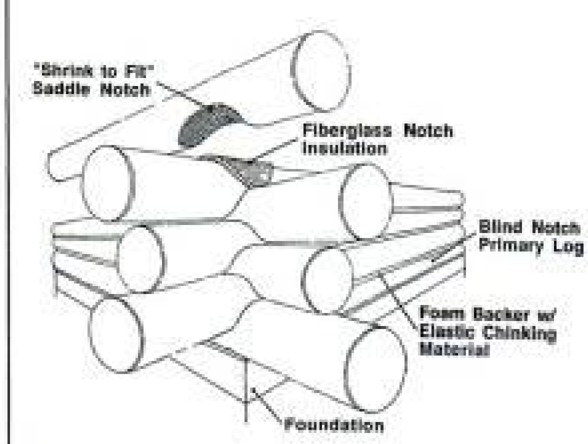
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Product Literature
Maple Island Catalog..............40 pages $12
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B133
Video-PBS' Hometime
Cabin TV Series-Condensed ....140 min. $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X133
Video PBS' Hometime Lodge
TV series-Condensed ....110 min. $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#Y133
CD..$5
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#C133

Company Information
Maple Island Log Homes builds authentic, hand-crafted log homes with full round logs that are 11 inches to a massive 26 inches in diameter and up to 65 feet in length. Building for both residential and commercial uses, they specialize in chinked style construction, utilizing a flexible chinking.

The process begins years in advance by selecting northern red pine from the forests of Michigan. They are cut, delivered and dried at the Maple Island log yard. Each log is hand peeled, hand scribed and hand notched into its location in the structure. Because of a large selection of dried logs, the precise size log can be chosen. Highly skilled craftsmen complete the structure and prepare it for delivery to the final building site. The logwork for a custom designed home can be reconstructed in two to three days, either by the Maple Island crew or the owner with an onsite supervisor.

Standard log sizes are a large 11 to 14 inches in butt diameter. With advance notice, 15- to 17-inch logs are also available, as well as massive 17- to 22-inch logs.

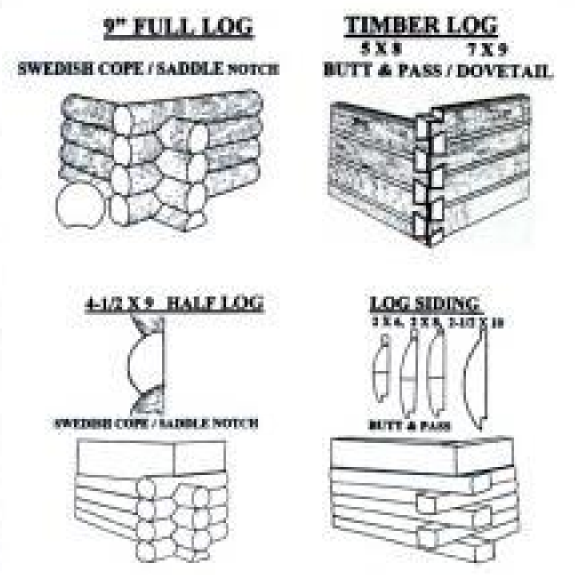
Maple Island has a complete staff of experienced log craftsmen as well as a professional architectural service. Consultants are available to work directly with the home buyer's local contractor or personal architect.

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Product Literature
This is Livin' Catalog ....12 pages ....Free

Company Information
Let Meadow Valley turn your dreams into reality. We specialize in custom-built log homes. Our company manufactures all of its own products and has sold factory direct to its customers since 1984. From a half-log mantel to the entire log package for any size home or cabin, we can customize to your needs.

Meadow Valley offers numerous building options for full log homes including: full 9-inch white pine logs coped with a saddle-notched corner; 7-by-9-inch timbers with a dovetail corner; and 5-by-8-inch timber with a butt-and-pass system. Timbers may be rough sawn or smooth finished, beveled or square, whichever you prefer.

For the customer who wants the authentic appearance of a full-log home, along with the flexibility of interior finishes, Meadow Valley has the solution. We manufacture a 4 1/2-inch-thick half-log siding that offers a full-round saddle-notch corner system. We also offer 2-by-6-inch and 2-by-8-inch spruce or cedar log siding; and a 2 1/2-by-10-inch kiln-dried, white pine log siding. This massive siding has 8-inch stack height that gives the look of real log. Whichever style of log siding you choose, Meadow Valley has the unique "Full Tail Corner System" to give you the real log home appearance.

Meadow Valley Log Homes also offers numerous services, including: free estimates; design and onsite planning consultation; in-house drafting; onsite technical assistance for builders; post-shell erection consultation for finishing contractors; and building services for log packages.

You are invited to visit our models at I-90/94 and State Highway 82 in Mauston, Wisconsin and on State Highway 173 in Mather, Wisconsin.

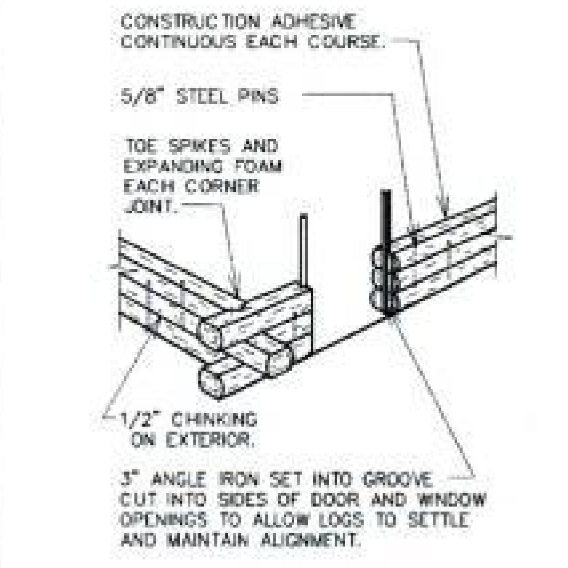
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Product Literature
Plan Book and
Construction Manual ....40 pages $5
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B354

Company Information
Welcome to Meadowlark Log Homes. Welcome to the family of those who love log home living.

Welcome to the craftsmen, builders and our customer base of hundreds of happy people who stay warm in winter, cool in summer and just right in between.

Meadowlark log homes are naturally inviting. We are the original Amish-made log homes of Montana, genuine handmade since 1976. And of course, family-owned and operated from the start.

Our father, Ora Miller, who was the founder, was one of those pioneers in the modern log home industry. And today, our family carries on the tradition where the trail has been blazed.

Meadowlark has built log homes in three foreign countries and 19 states. Our web site lists our builder/dealers who are able to take your log home from start to finish.

We also feature handmade rustic furniture and gazebos as well as a full line of interior/exterior preservatives, stains and chinking.

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Company Information
Merrimac Log Homes is a family-owned log home manufacturer. The owners of Merrimac Log Homes have been manufacturing log homes and components for almost 30 years. The family owns their own sawmill where they process more than 13 million board feet of eastern white pine per year. The sawmill products have been sold at wholesale prices to other log home manufacturers since 1976.

In 2001, the owners decided to start a retail log home manufacturing company so they could sell direct to the public at mill direct prices. As a result of starting up Merrimac Log Homes, the sawmill is evolving and producing an even larger product line. Merrimac Log Homes products range from just log wall packages to complete precut log home packages. They offer all popular log profiles and precut corner systems as well as milled and hewn logs with siding and false corners to match. All log home packages are graded and stamped according to the Log Homes Council standards.

Merrimac Log Homes can provide you with everything you need to get your log home under one roof. When requested, they will work with window, door and roofing manufacturers so that customers can purchase everything they need in one place. Since the owners of Merrimac Log Homes own both the mill and the log home company, they control the product from the woods to the customer.

To learn more about Merrimac Log Homes visit their web site at www.merrimacloghomes.com or give them a call, toll free, at 877-637-7462.

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Company Information
Derek has been building scribe-fit log homes since 1978. An owner/builder, he personally combs forests to select each tree. He selects them piece by piece in the landing; again in his yard after they are hand peeled, washed and preserved; and finally as each log is used. This personal attention and dedication is applied to all aspects of the design/build/service process.

Noticeably unusual are the appearance and color of the logs in a Modern log home. Naturally they are light, bright pine. Unless you choose to darken them, they will retain this naturally bright, clean look. Your log home does not have to be dark, mottled, brown, orange, dreary, boring or stained.

Also unusual in the log home industry is Derek's extensive experience with the preservation and maintenance of log homes. This enables Modern Log Homes to design and build homes that are low maintenance and safe from attack by insects and wood destroying fungi.

A highly skilled and experienced group of craftsmen build a select handful of fine homes each year. Typical homes are in the 2,500 to 4,000 square feet range. More than 100 significant projects have been completed on time and budget under Derek's supervision.

Attitude + Talent + Experience = Excellence
Testimonials available.

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Product Literature
Montana Log Homes ....60 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B197
Video ....17 min. $20
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X197

Company Information
Montana Log Homes specializes in unique, custom, handcrafted log structures since 1975, using logs from the prime timber ranges of northern Montana. Owners James Bachofner and Brad Neu established the company's reputation using the Scandinavian cope full-scribe method to build their log homes and lodges. Chink style construction is also offered.

Montana Log Homes' in-house design and drafting service will create a design that reflects the personality, lifestyle, ideas and dreams of the home owner. Customers are offered full length, dry seasoned, lodgepole pine and spruce logs in butt sizes ranging from 12 to 16 inches, with larger log sizes available on request. Logs are hand-peeled with a drawknife to retain the protective insulating layer just under the bark, and to preserve the natural color, taper and character of each log.

Buildings are constructed entirely in the company's assembly yard in Kalispell, Montana. The logs are then numbered, disassembled and transported to the customer's homesite and reassembled by Montana Log Homes' experienced building crew. After reassembling the log package, the crew will cut and key the door and window openings and offer on-site technical assistance to the owner or contractor. The company provides a fully illustrated construction manual to assist the local builder with the finish construction.

Log shell prices range from $30 to $50 plus per square foot, depending on the size of logs, design and destination.

First in quality, craftsmanship and customer satisfaction.

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Company Information
We manufacture handcrafted log shells, handrailings, stairways and custom cut logs, timbers and trusses.

We offer various types of peeling and log sizes. I personally supervise every onsite log setup.

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MOOSE LOG HOMES

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Company Information

Moose Log Homes has the quality, service and price you are looking for. Moose logs come in 8-, 10- and 12-inch diameters. Moose Logs are milled true round with double tongue-and-groove and saddle-notched corners. They are precut for any plan. Moose logs are fastened together with through-bolts. Through-bolts give the logs freedom to settle. The through-bolts are tightened as the logs settle. Through-bolts eliminate the chance of separation between the logs. The owner of Moose Log Homes, Rick Garland, has been using the through-bolt system for 20 years. Moose Log Homes sells precut log walls for any floorplan. They also sell logs for porches, loft floor joists, roof systems, railings, stair-systems and matching siding for gable walls and dormers.

Moose Log Homes has the lowest price in the industry for precut, double tongue-and-grooved, round logs. Moose Log Homes also has very attractive dealer and distributor pricing. Your local lumberyard has the best pricing on lumber, windows, doors and other components for your home. If you combine Moose Log Homes guaranteed lowest price and the lumberyards best price you will have an affordable log home package.

Moose Log Homes offers any level of service needed. The first step is to work out a floorplan. Send your floorplan or rough sketch for a free estimate. If you need any help drawing or redrawing your floorplan there is no charge. After you have a floorplan Moose Log Homes will discuss roof options. Roofs can be built with trusses or rafters from the lumberyard or with log rafters or log purlins from Moose Log Homes. If you need a full set of working plans the cost is $.50 per square foot.
Please contact Rick Garland. He can help you make your log home project a pleasant one.

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Company Information

President Lloyd Beckedorf founded Moose Mountain Log Homes Inc. in 1978. In more than a quarter century of building, we have specialized in only fully scribed handcrafted log construction. To date we have not built, nor do we wish to ever build, in the manufactured milled style or the handcrafted chinked style.

With all the styles and producers of log homes, we believe one of our most distinct advantages is that we are so confident in the superiority of our patented system of joinery that we are likely the only company you will find anywhere that guarantees in writing, the quality of our joinery and logs by warranting them to remain air and weathertight as well as structural.

Performance is only half of the picture. Beauty of logs and artistic precision are equally, if not more, important in an exceptional log home. We personally select every log we use. Our massive western red cedar or lodgepole pine logs have some of the most unique characteristics and are probably the largest and slowest growing logs for log construction today.

Moose Mountain specializes in the buildings that challenge our decades of experience, whether that be in an intricate design, complex log trussed roof system or a situation unique to only one specific project, no matter where that project is destined to go. Please check out our web site as we have been told it is the most informative and factual on the Internet and includes more than 400 photographs of our work and homes.

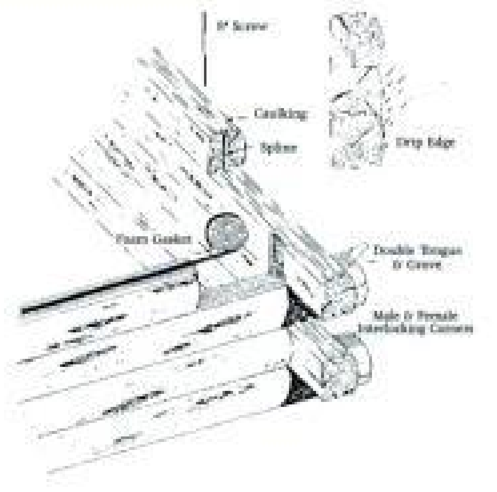
Our normal package starts with design involvement and development, insulated log work completely reassembled on the owner's subfloor by the same craftsmen who actually built it in the first place with log stairs and railings, door and window cutouts, ready for installation, interior partitioning allowances, electrical preparation, through-bolting and ongoing technical assistance, so that no other subtrade needs previous experience with log homes or would be required to alter the log work. Our packages normally also include all log components, transportation and local crane costs.

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Product Literature

Moosehead Cedar
Log Homes 12 pages plus 30 floorplans $10

Company Information

Cedar is the premium wood species for log homes because of its natural resistance to decay and insects, its inherent strength, its resistance to checking, warping, moving and shrinking when properly dried and, perhaps most importantly, for its natural beauty.

We manufacture our homes from northern white cedar, one of the two most abundant cedar species in North America. Northern white cedar has the greatest insulating value of any of the woods commonly used for log homes:

Northern White Cedar	1.41 R-Value per inch
Eastern White Pine	1.32
Western Red Cedar	1.09
Southern Yellow Pine	0.91

Northern white cedar is less brittle than western red cedar and is substantially more uniform in color. The subtle white and brown tones lend character and class to the home.

We hand select only top-quality cedar for our homes from local logging operations and, when necessary, from mills around the country.

We mill 6-by-6-inch or 6-by-8-inch cedar logs to a uniform shape with double tongue and groove, all necessary notches, pre-cut and numbered to give a much tighter look. This produces an energy efficient wall as well as making our homes buildable by the home owner. As you erect the log walls you are not only framing the house, you are also insulating the house and completing the interior and exterior walls. An added plus to a cedar log home is the fact that they need very little maintenance. If left untreated the logs will eventually weather to a mature gray color. Most Moosehead Cedar Log Home owners choose to stain their homes with either a clear wood preservative or a wood stain the color of their choice.

We will make free onsite visits during construction to help ensure a quality built home and remember, we are always just a phone call away if any questions should arise.

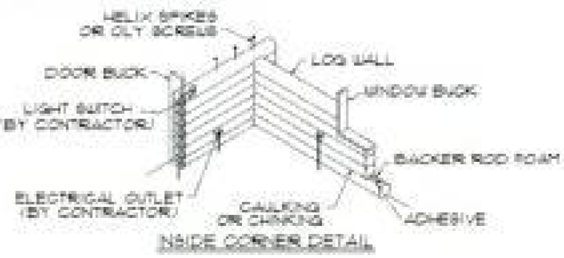
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Product Literature
Brochure with Floorplans .... Free

Company Information
Mountain Valley Log Homes custom designs log homes from round milled, saddle-notched, Swedish-coped lodgepole pine logs. Logs are available in sizes from 7 to 12 inches. Douglas fir is available for post and beam components, tongue-and-groove paneling and rough-cut lumber.

Established in 1985, Mountain Valley has more than 500 log homes across the United States. Mountain Valley homes are simple to erect and many families choose to build their own. We can also arrange for construction of your home by one of our contractors.

About 90 percent of our homes are custom designed. We have three architects on staff for custom design or we offer several existing blueprints from which to choose.

One of our strong points is that we have the ability to help you secure loans, including FHA, VA, conventional and commercial loans. We are also HUD approved.

Mountain Valley supplies the highest quality materials, service and friendship. We want to be your log home dealer and work closely with you from the beginning design stages to the finished log home masterpiece.

Western states distributor of Sashco products—products that really work!

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Product Literature
The Long Log Advantage® ....110 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B165

Company Information
Founded in 1965, Neville Log Homes is a family-owned-and-operated business utilizing a patented "log-forming" machine that produces logs up to 60 feet in length! This eliminates "butt-joints," creating both a stronger and a more visually appealing log house. With seven patents to our name, we offer a choice of smooth or hand-hewn finishes and log sizes from 7 inches up to 18 inches in diameter. We use only dry-standing timber. Other services include design consultation, in-house architecture and drafting, site planning consultation, and on-site technical assistance.

Neville Log Homes is also located in Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada. You can find us in Kamloops at 8085 East Trans Canada Highway. Our toll-free number is 866-573-1866 and our email is nevillecanada@nevilogcanada.com

Call or email us today to find out more about The Long Log Advantage.

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Product Literature
Plan Book.............................28 pages $5
New Homestead USA Video........25 min......$7.50

Company Information
New Homestead USA, founded in 1974, is the most versatile manufacturer in the log home business. The company produces nearly every log style in a variety of sizes up to 48 inches around and 50 feet long. Competitively priced, kiln dried-kerfed, air dried and dead standing materials are available in lineal footage with specific lengths and notched corners or in precut systems. Offering a choice of six species in three quality grades, all of the products are adaptable to any and all floorplans.

New Homestead USA provides a vast selection of log home components and accessories which include sidings and half logs to match all log profiles, rafters, beams, purlins, truss, stringers, joists, stairs, posts, rails, dowels, 1x and 2x tongue-and-groove for panel, roof sheathing and flooring, log fasteners, seal systems, interior and exterior sealants, doors, windows and more.

New Homestead's highest quality materials range from 6 to 16 inches in diameter and are precision milled through a planer system for a smooth finish and exact sizing. The economy series ranges from 6 to 48 inches and is produced with a lathe system. All products have the option to be hand hewn.

New Homestead USA makes available the services of custom design, drafting, blueprinting, engineering, financing, technical assistance and highly skilled builders. The company provides free estimates on large and small projects.

All of New Homestead's products are milled and graded according to agreed specifications and carry a milling warranty.

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Company Information
Nicola LogWorks comprises an enthusiastic group of craftsmen whose first love is building with logs. We are committed to building houses that function well (good design), and to implementing building practices and techniques that produce successful log structures.

We build primarily with large diameter western red cedar and Douglas fir (14 to 15 inches and larger, midspan).

We build for both local and international clientele and employ a range of building styles. About 65 percent of our work is scribe fit (we use the methods and gasketing as described in The Log Building Standards), and the balance is a variety of post-and-beam structures, chinked-system buildings and timber frame. We are custom builders and offer in-house design services or can work with the designer or architect of your choice.

We are active supporters and a long-standing member of the International Log Builders' Association and are proud to compare our quality to the best of our colleagues in the industry. Nicola LogWorks was established in 1989 by John Boys, a log builder with 19 years of experience.

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Product Literature
Plans and Ideas ....116 pages $20

Company Information
Norse Log Homes specializes in quality handcrafted custom log buildings ranging in size from cabins to commercial projects. Our office and main construction yard is located five minutes north of Nanaimo on Vancouver Island, British Columbia.

We moved to Vancouver Island in 1985 in order to be located at the source of the world's best supply of Douglas fir logs. We have been building log homes since 1975.

We use select west coast grown Douglas fir logs with a mean diameter average of 11 to 12 inches mid span and a 15 to 16 inch butt diameter. Our logs are hand peeled using the Scandinavian style of round notches and lateral groove construction. We are proud of our natural handfitted log homes and they should not be confused with machined log homes.

We have two construction yards and three 82 foot hammerhead cranes located on a total of six acres. Norse Log Homes handcrafts 60 to 80 homes each year. Your project will be constructed by our highly skilled craftsmen at one of our two Vancouver Island sites; it will then be numbered, disassembled and loaded onto a truck or container for shipment to your waiting foundation anywhere in North America or around the world.

Norse Log Homes would be pleased to quote on log home package costs from your design sketches. Our package costs normally run between $18 and $36 per square foot depending on the amount and complexity of your log work.

We also offer a complete custom design service, which can convert your sketch into construction blueprints starting at $.75 per square foot.

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Product Literature
Full-Color Brochure $5

Company Information
With more than 27 years of experience in the log home industry, North American Log Crafters is renowned for its handcrafted log homes.

Our homes are handcrafted from the highest quality timber available in North America. All of our logs are graded, receiving the highest grading stamp available in the industry. We guarantee our logs to be free of insect infiltration, dry rot and spiral grain. Log sizes and species used are dependent on client's preference. The average log size used is 14- to 16-inches midspan diameter. The majority of our homes are manufactured from Douglas fir logs.

Every home is manufactured on our building site, in the interior of British Columbia. Our homes are handcrafted, each log is individually hand peeled and hand scribed. Once complete, your home is loaded onto flat deck trucks and delivered to your home site. The reassembly of your home is personally supervised by our onsite consultant.

All of our homes are custom designed. They are one of a kind and will not be duplicated. We have worked extensively with architects and draftsmen to ensure total customer satisfaction. North American Log Crafters can assist you in designing your own home to reflect you family's needs, character and charm. A home unique to your family which will be admired for generations to come.

Over 95 percent of our homes are shipped to the United States. We have clients in many states who are more than willing to show off their home and share their log home experience with you. References available upon request.

Visit our web site for a company overview. Company brochure and information letter available upon request.

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Product Literature

Brochure .... Free
Video .... Free

Company Information

North Arrow Log Homes was originally started on Drummond Island in 1988 by Lyle C. Kelley. In 2001, North Arrow moved to the Cedarville area in Michigan's eastern Upper Peninsula.

We are a log home company that is interested in two things—quality construction and our clients' satisfaction. Your handcrafted home will be constructed using the traditions and techniques of the Scandinavian logsmiths to achieve the fine craftsmanship that a log building deserves.

Each home begins in our yard where the logs are peeled and air dried. After initial preparation is finished, the exterior of the home is assembled in our yard. The building is then dismantled, loaded on our trucks and reassembled at the building site. We work with two methods: Scandinavian full scribe and traditional chink style.

Because every North Arrow log home is custom built and handcrafted, each is a unique sculpted form with a size and layout all its own.

We offer free consultations on your building project. We also offer in-house design and architectural services.

If you would like more information, please give us a call. We would be happy to answer any questions you may have. We also have available a free video that showcases some of our completed dream homes.

God makes these things, we just put them together.

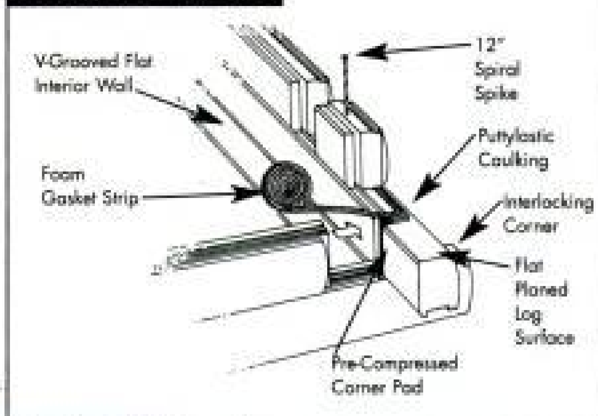
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Product Literature

Planning Portfolio .... 80 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ...... #B166

Company Information

In 1972, we began building innovative log homes using superior quality materials. Since that time, our steadfast commitment to excellent customer service, design innovation, product quality and providing the most complete building package has never wavered. We work directly with our customers—no dealers or middlemen—to provide expert, highly personalized service from design to construction to long-term maintenance.

Northeastern is a charter member of the Log Homes Council, so you can rest assured that we maintain the highest standards of excellence and accountability. It's all part of our exclusive Four-Star Promise™ to you.

1. Service: Provide expert, personalized assistance for as long as you own your home.
2. Design: Create a truly custom home based on your lifestyle
3. Quality: Build your home with only the highest quality brand-name materials components.
4. Package: Deliver our complete EasyBuild Package™ for smooth, hassle-free construction

To learn more about Northeastern's Premier and Traditional home series, offering innovative home plans, custom design services and high-quality materials, call for our Planning Portfolio or visit www.northeasternlog.com. We also invite you to ask for information on our Camp and Cabin series. It's perfect for the do-it-yourselfer who loves the feel of a traditional log cabin.

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Company Information

Nutrioso Log Works is a family-owned business which produces handcrafted log homes in full-scribe, saddle-notch construction style. Massive dead-standing spruce logs are our specialty—smaller logs are available. Roof systems include full-log gables, log purlins and ridge and, if so designed, upstairs log floor joist.

All log homes are constructed using full-length logs—no splices or unsightly butt joints. All openings are pre-cut—flats on purlins are standard. Our log homes are constructed at our yard, numbered, then disassembled and shipped to the buyer's building site. Company representatives are available for supervising reassembly or we can provide a reassembly crew.

We do not utilize models or pre-designed floorplans. Rather, each log home is a unique custom design. Construction takes approximately two to four months depending on square footage of the design. We are typically booked six to 12 months in advance. We offer design, engineering and consulting services. We take great pride in creating high-quality log work as well as giving very personal service to each customer.

For the most discriminating customer, we feature a brand new look and style of log construction which is truly one-of-a-kind and unseen in North America.

For anyone wanting to build their own log home you can do so here at our yard. We provide supervision, tools and logs. This activity must be scheduled one year in advance.

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Product Literature

The Old Style Log Works Inc. ..16 pages $10

Company Information

Old Style Log Works Inc. has been specializing in custom handcrafted Scandinavian full-scribe and chink-style log homes since 1980. From providing estimates, to the finishing touches, you will speak and work directly with the people constructing your shell.

Lodgepole pine, Engelmann spruce and western larch are full-length, premium house logs ranging from smallest of 12 to 14 inches to large 20- to 22-inch butt diameters depending on customer preferences. Character logs are no problem because every log is hand-picked and hand-peeled.

Our shells include no visible splices, full-round log loft joists milled flat, ridgebeams/purlins and cap logs are milled on their pitched edge. Loft receiving notches are precut, extremely tight-fitting lateral grooves with labor-intensive shallow coves to inhibit settling and maximize quality on the Scandinavian full scribe. Five log end design options sanded twice and design/drafting services available.

Pre-drilling for steel pins is standard, however pre-drilling for through bolts or electrical outlets can be provided. We number, disassemble and load your shell onto a truck to ship nationwide or internationally. To have our personnel on hand to supervise and assist in the reassembly is recommended but not required; manuals are available. Depending on the number of log corners and the intricacy of your roofline, the square foot cost for our product does vary. A basic design with a straightforward roof line ranges from $26 to $28 per square foot.

Our homes have been featured numerous times in Log Home Living magazine. We will calculate estimates free. We stand behind our work!

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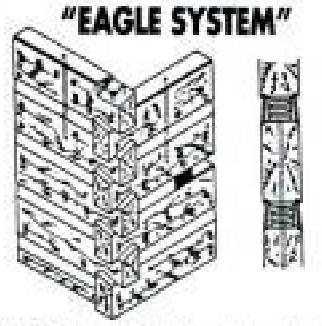
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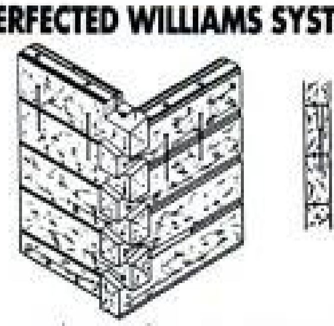
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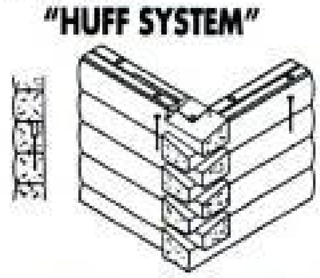
HAND HEWN 6"x12" logs with chink board using white pine or western hem-fir up to 40'.

"PERFECTED WILLIAMS SYSTEM"



Dovetail corners and tongue and groove HAND HEWN 6"x12" logs are fastened with 10" log bolts. A wooden spline is fitted into a groove top and bottom of each log and sealed as the logs are erected. Special features include overlapping drip edge and versatile V-groove or chink appearance. Available in white pine.

"HUFF SYSTEM"



Dovetail corners and milled 8"x8" logs are fastened with 8" lag bolts. Wooden splines are fitted into a groove top and bottom of each log and sealed as the logs are erected. Our "D" log with flat/round appearance features overlapping drip edge which forms tongue & groove for added protection against the elements. Available in white pine.

The HUFF SYSTEM is the first D-log in the entire industry that has a dovetail corner.

Product Literature

Old Virginia Hand Hewn
Log Homes Inc.28 pages, 50 color photos $7
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B136
Video ....20 min. $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X136

Company Information

Old Virginia Hand Hewn Log Homes Inc. is a sixth generation of handcrafters. Six-by-12-inch logs are actually hewn by hand with an ax, then carved into the home of your dreams. Choose from three log wall systems, all featuring the dovetail corner notch. Corners of all systems are assembled and fitted at the plant.

Complete design and drafting service is available. Tour the plant and spend a night in a completed log cabin.

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Product Literature

New Oregon Log Home
Planning Guide ....50 pages $15

Company Information

Oregon Log Home Company has been in the business of building exquisite log home for more than 30 years. As one of the premier log home manufacturers in the country, we take pride in offering the highest quality materials, craftsmanship, service and selection to our customers.

We offer a wide variety of log styles, and pricing that varies depending on log size, the style you choose and species of log. Each package we put together is as unique as our customer's dream of a home.

Our handcrafted homes come in two distinct log styles, full scribe and full round chinked, both with shrink-to-fit saddle-notched corners. High standards are reflected throughout by skilled craftsmen.

Our MillCraft Natural Homes feature natural hand-peeled logs with machine-cut, shrink-to-fit saddle-notched corners. It is this attention to detail that makes our MillCraft homes representative of the high quality our customers expect from Oregon Log Homes. The Natural Series offers the look of a handcrafted home at a very reasonable price.

We also offer Swedish cope styles and a D-shaped log style in a variety of diameters to 14 inches—providing our customers with the spectrum they need to customize their home.

Our staff is comprised of very talented people interested in making your dreams for your home a reality. Together we can help you design a home to best meet your needs and budget, from the smallest cabin to the most extravagant home built anywhere. This is our history and our ongoing commitment to you. We gladly welcome any questions you might have and invite you to visit with us concerning your projects.

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Catalog................19 pages ....Web Site

Company Information
At Outaouais Log Homes we pride ourselves on offering what you will find to be one of the most complete log home kits available in North America.

You will receive incomparable quality and value by purchasing direct from a Canadian manufacturer, with in-house consultants to guide you through your building experience.

We offer 16 models as examples of our most popular kits and welcome your ideas to tailor any of these designs to meet the specific needs of you and your family.

Taking your own concepts and turning them into working drawings or using existing plans you might already have is yet another way we strive to make your dreams come true. We are extremely flexible!

A complete line of machined double tongue-and-groove northern white pine logs, available in five sizes and two shapes, offers you a choice to suit your building requirements.

All of the materials and components included in our package are of uncompromising quality to provide years of efficient protection from the harshest of cold winters to the hottest of humid summers. We get plenty of both up here in Canada!

We invite you to visit our web site at www.outaouaisloghomes.com, where you will find floorplans, photographs, pricing, components lists and much more.

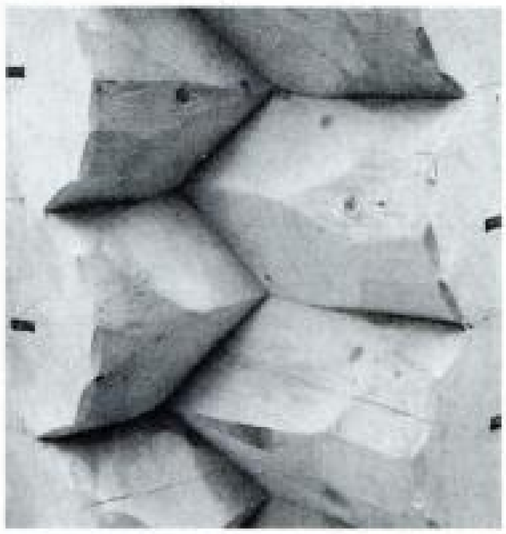
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Product Literature
Brochure & Samples of Plans ....Free

Company Information
Pacific Log Homes Ltd. specializes in custom-designed handcrafted log homes and commercial buildings, having shipped well over 1,000 unique packages throughout Canada, the United States and Asia since its founding in 1976.

Superior quality, large diameter full-length logs are air dried and then hand peeled. Primarily spruce or pine logs are used, however, cedar and fir are also available. Each full-length log is scribed and cut to fit the contours of the log below it in the wall (there are no butt joints in the wall logs). A tight fitting wedge notch is used at the corners to keep the logs tight, during and after settling. Fiberglass insulation is placed into the lateral grooves.

A Pacific log home is fully adjusted for settling. This includes the use of a through-bolt with tension spring system to keep the walls tight while settling, the use of key-ways and splines for window and door frames and screw-jack adjustments for interior partition walls and vertical posts. Grooves in the walls accept interior finishing materials. Roof overhangs are usually 2 feet along the sides and 4 feet or greater at the gable ends. Exposed round and/or squared floor joists and ceiling beams are popular features in Pacific's homes.

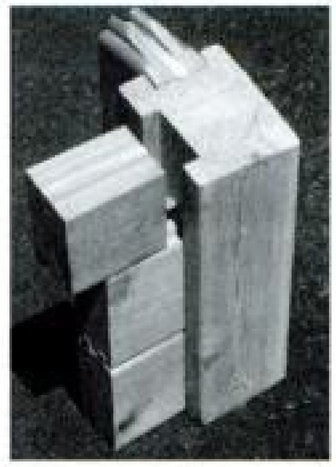
Construction takes approximately six to eight weeks for a log shell to be pre-built at Pacific's 30-acre site. Virtually all of the work needed to be done on the logs is done in our yard by skilled craftsmen, such as cutting openings, preparing for trim, grooving for interior partitions and decorative finishing of the log tails. The logs are then numbered, disassembled and transported to the customer's site for supervised reassembly.

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Product Literature
Idea Book, Album & DVD..........150pp $21

Company Information
Since 1952, Pan Abode has manufactured more than 12,000 high-quality buildings featuring western red cedar. Recognized worldwide for superior craftsmanship, ease of construction, and the highest-quality materials; our custom-design homes provide expansive living spaces featuring cathedral ceilings, exposed beams and walls of glass. The Idea Book describes three distinctly different building systems and offers 70 standard plans.

Our contemporary Post & Beam (frame) System uses a 6-foot design module, maximizing material utilization and design versatility. Choose from vertical or horizontal custom milled exterior cedar siding.

Our patented Classic Timber Wall System is offered in Single Wall, Energy Wall or Double Wall and uses precision-milled tongue-and-grooved timbers, notched to form lock joint corners and cut to exact design dimensions. Exterior cedar wall timbers are either solid air dried or laminated kiln dried. Interior walls may be frame or solid timber.

The Phoenix System, patent received November 26, 1996 (No. 5,577,356), has exterior cedar timber walls of laminated kiln-dried 3-by-8-inch and 5-by-8-inch connected by glue laminated columns. This system, adaptable to any climate, can be engineered to withstand hurricane-force wind velocities. Construction is extremely quick and simple. The D log has exterior cedar walls of laminate kiln-dried timbers connected by glu-laminated columns.

Pan Abode is seeking to add new income-oriented entrepreneurs to our worldwide independent dealer network.

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Product Literature
Brochure and Sample of Plans........................Free

Company Information
A handcrafted masterpiece by Paradise Mountain Log Homes has the experience of more than 1,000 handcrafted homes behind it since 1978. We are dedicated to building the finest log buildings possible, as well as leading the way in design and construction improvements.

You can expect a premier classic Scandinavian full-scribe, hand-peeled log home. The full length of each log is hand-scribed and hand-cut. Each log is fitted to the next, with no butt joints. We utilize the popular shrink-fit Norwegian saddle-notch shrink-to-fit corners. We also build post-and-beam construction.

Our log homes are primarily built with high mountain, winter harvested Engelmann spruce logs. Douglas fir and western red cedar are also available. Typically the logs are an average 12 to 16 inch mean diameter. Engelmann spruce is a premier house building log. It is very tight grained and very light in color with limited spiral. The logs are then air-dried for six to eight months to a moisture content of 19 percent or less. As a further measure of quality, all of our timber meets the highest or premium grade standard of the Timber Products Inspection Agency.

Typically, the log walls are 9 feet or higher when specified. All window and door openings are cut, keyed, notched back and flared for simple installation. All beams, joists and purlins to be flattened to accept conventional building material and all gable ends and dormers are log post-and-beam.

Each log package includes the services of our experienced crew for the proper installation of the log shell, delivery, crane and roughing out in log work for electrical boxes and switches cut and flared and drilled for wiring passages.

We offer many standard, engineered plans that can be customized or create your own dream home with our custom design team.

We take special pride in our high-quality craftsmanship and services provided along with our limited lifetime warranty!

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Company Information
Pedersen Logsmiths Inc., formerly Jeff Pedersen –Logsmith, has been building custom, handcrafted log homes since 1988, offering many different styles including broadax hewn with dovetail or oxhead corners, round log chink, Scandinavian full scribe and round or hewn timber frame construction. Log packages start at $55 per square foot and go up, depending upon the design of your home and style of log work chosen. Because we build custom homes, we have not built the same home twice, making our homes unique. We have several homes that have been used in advertising or featured in publications. If there is a home that you have seen and are interested in, we can provide a floorplan and pricing information upon request. Most plans can be altered to fit your needs. The log species we use include lodgepole pine, Douglas fir, Ponderosa pine, spruce, western white pine, larch and western red cedar. Log sizes can range from 8-inch tips and 12-inch butts to 16-inch tips and 24-inch butts. Standing dead or green logs can be used. Our log structures ususally include the following:

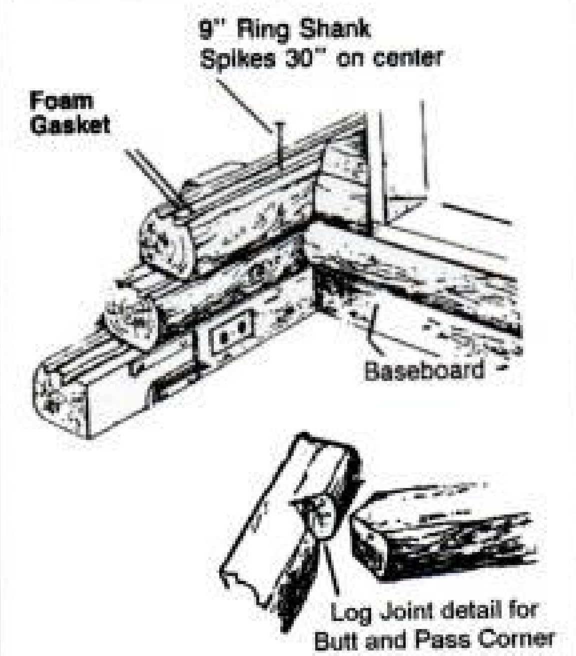
- Log walls
- Loft/2nd floor joists
- Log roof system
- Timber of log gables
- Joists and log roof system flattened for framing
- Door and window bucks (you can set doors and windows after buck installation.)
- Pre-drill for through-bolts and supply though-bolt material
- Pre-drill for electric
- Foam insulation for laterals and notches
- Shipping, crane and restack costs are extra

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Product Literature
Catalog.........................80 pages..................$12
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore.... ..#B222

Company Information
Founded in 1972, Pinecraft Log Homes Inc. produces hand-peeled pine and cedar solid and insulated wall logs. Drawknives are used to make the surface smooth and easy to maintain and to produce a natural rustic appearance. Four different sizes ranging from 8- to 10-inch diameters to 11- to 13-inch diameters are selected. To eliminate air filtration and ensure a permanent, tight-fitting wall, the logs are fastened together with ring shank spikes and foam gaskets. This solidly laminates one row of logs to another. All of the log beams, rafters, posts and railings, along with a non-toxic wood sealer, are provided by Pinecraft as part of the complete log house kit.

In addition, Pinecraft offers solid and insulated Swedish cope logs with saddle notched corners. This log gives you a more traditional styling and a truly solid appearance. The Swedish cope logs have either a textured (wood grain), rustic (approximately 25 percent hand dressed) or hewn surface. All surface treatments accent the natural wood grain. The Swedish cope solid and insulated logs are offered in 7-, 8-, 9-, 10-, 12- and 14-inch diameters.

Pinecraft's solid and insulated log wall systems provide for the versatility of designing a home with the natural log look on the exterior and yet allow for a unlimited choice of interior decor.

Pinecraft Log Homes Inc. is the leader in custom designed residential and commercial buildings. Pinecraft's high quality material package includes complete insulated shell home kits for nationwide delivery.

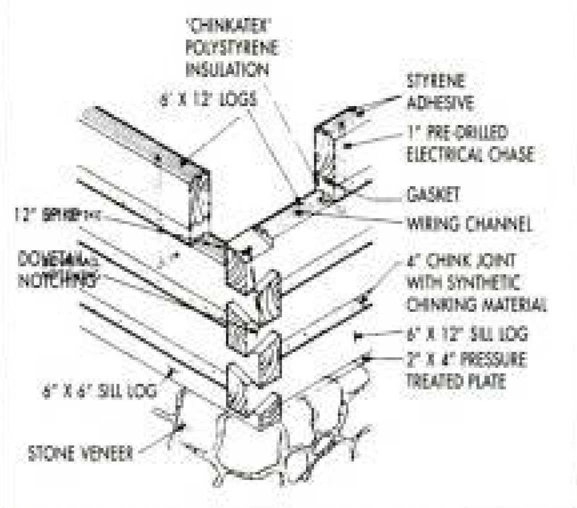
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Product Literature
Planning Guide ....44 pages $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B266

Company Information
Pioneer Log Systems Inc. is a family-owned-and-operated company that takes pride in the quality of its workmanship and materials. Choose from hand-hewn, dovetailed, square log homes, the 6-by-8-inch or 8-by-8-inch "stack" or half-round log or post-and-beam structures. Custom-built profiling machinery enables Pioneer Log Systems Inc. to offer a wide range of log shapes and surfaces and accurate, precise timbers for a tight, well-constructed home. Hand-hewn homes are constructed of western hemlock, up to 40 feet in length, and eastern white pine. Half-round log homes are milled from kiln-dried pine in lengths from eight to 16 feet. In addition, western cedar and pressure-treated materials are offered. No chemical treatment is used on the logs.

Pioneer Log Systems Inc. uses its "Chinkatex" chinking system. The Chinkatex styrene insulation is installed during erection of the home, helping to provide air-tight walls, while allowing for the natural shrinkage and settling. It also provides the base for the application of the exterior chinking material.

All timbers are pre-drilled at the factory for vertically wiring the log home. There are horizontal machine-made channels in each timber for lateral wiring. Plumbing pipes and drains are installed in interior plumbing walls, as in any home.

Any licensed general contractor can complete a Pioneer Log Systems Inc. home, but it is best if the contractor has some log home construction experience. The company can provide any technical assistance needed. Please feel free to call or write for information on additional products and services supplied by Pioneer.

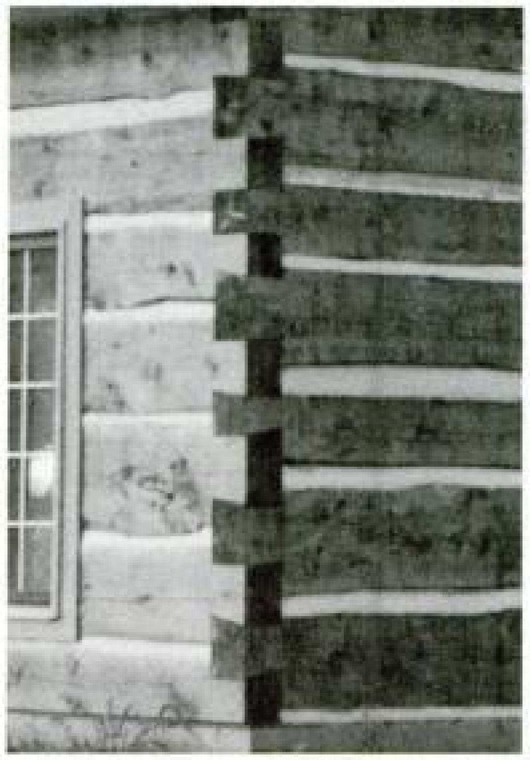
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Product Literature
Pioneer Logs Ltd. Design ....10 pages $5
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B247

Company Information
Since the company's founding in 1978, Pioneer Logs Ltd. has handcrafted more than 200 log homes. Owner-operator David Christie takes pride in the personal interest and attention provided to every client. Pioneer Logs Ltd. homes capture the look and feel of original pioneer log homes while taking into account modern living requirements and energy efficiency.

Houses may be constructed to one of eight traditional Pioneer Logs Ltd. designs or may be custom designed. Architectural drafting services are available.

Pioneer Logs uses 8- to 10-inch thick white pine for wall logs, and 6-by-10-inch pine for joists and purlins. Designs are square timbered with dovetailed corners and all logs are hand adzed, providing the original hewn appearance. All logs are air dried six months to two years and are hand peeled. No preservative is used. Timber framing and timber porches are available as well as square-timbered trusses, king post and A trusses.

There is no butting since logs are full length—up to 40 feet long.

Pioneer Logs Ltd. is located in the heart of an area of concentration of log homes, both originals and reproductions. You are encouraged to visit this area to see Pioneer Logs' sawmill operation and construction site and the many examples of completed projects.

Average price of a log wall set erected on prepared foundation is $45,000 (Canadian); a complete turn-key home in Pioneer Logs Ltd. area averages $175,000 to $200,000 (Canadian).

All homes are approved fully by building code officials in our marketing area.

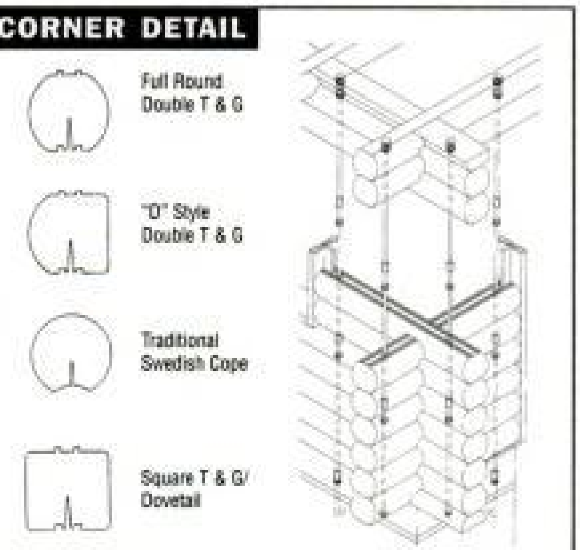
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Product Literature
Log Home Guidebook..............74 pages $14.95

Company Information
Precision Craft Log Homes offers fine handcrafted and milled log homes. The company has complete architectural and construction management services to assist clients from the inception to the completion of their log home. Precision Craft caters to the quality-conscious consumer looking for the best log products and service available.

Precision Craft's milled product line includes a variety of competitively priced profiles and species. The log wall system is totally precut, pre-drilled and pre-notched for quick log stacking. Precision Craft uses only interlocking saddle-notch corners combined with through-bolt construction—the best system available. All timbers are kiln and air dried to the Timber Products Inspection dry standard. An expansion kerf is used in the drying process to minimize checking and cracking. Logs are graded to Timber Products Inspection premium standard then precision milled to furniture-quality tolerances. Through-bolt construction secures the log wall system from the foundation to the top log.

For the ultimate log home experience, Precision Craft offers handcrafted Canadian full-scribed and western chinked-style log homes. Expert craftsmen hand select and hand fit each log in the traditional manner. Logs range from an average of 12 inches to as much as 24 inches in diameter. Precision Craft also offers a non-settling constuction method.

Precision Craft architectural services allow customers the flexibility to develop their own custom plans or use and modify pre-selected plans.

Precision Craft Log Homes is a member of the Log Homes Council, Timber Product Manufacturers and the National Association of Home Builders. The company was the recipient of the United States Chamber of Commerce Blue Chip Enterprise Award for Excellence in Manufacturing.

For a free CD, visit www.precisioncraft.com.

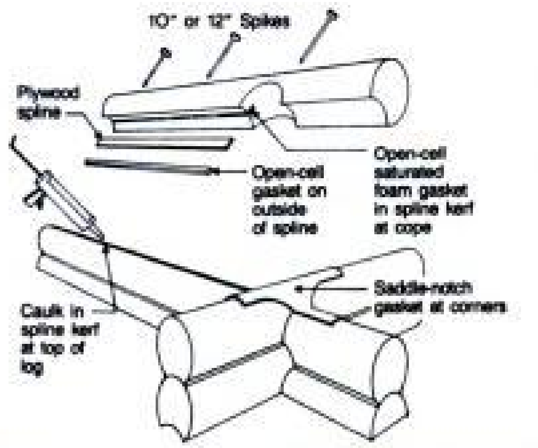
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Product Literature
Plan Book and CD ....174 pages $25

Company Information
Rocky Mountain Log Homes, located at the heart of Montana's Bitterroot Valley, is one of the most trusted names in the industry and has been for three decades. We understand that every log home reflects the style and character of its owner and should fulfill your every dream and desire.

In the spring of 2003, we implemented use of state-of-the-art, computerized and robotized CNC (Computer Numerically Controlled) production lines. With these new production lines we can produce logs as long as Mother Nature can grow them. Our award-winning design teams are similarly equipped with an unparalleled advantage—the newest computer-aided design systems. When you enter into our Design Development Program, our fast, efficient CAD 3D drawing software will take you on a virtual 3D tour, then to your ultimate destination—the place where your spirit resides—the actual creation of your log home.

We offer a complete range of home styles from precision-milled Swedish cope or dovetail logs to the handcrafted excellence of our Pioneer Log Homes, built from naturally dried trees, milled to exacting tolerances and fitted with our Weather Lock spline and gasket system that assures lifelong heating and cooling efficiency.

At Rocky Mountain Log Homes we believe in a frontier without limits. Our belief in the endless possibilities of the log home is an advantage we pass on in every Rocky Mountain log home. Our 174-page plansbook is available for $25 and includes 26 plans, many vivid photographs and a CD with more than 400 additional photographs.

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Company Information
We were founded in 1994. We are located in the beautiful Salmon River Valley in Salmon, Idaho. We build anything from small cabins to spacious homes. We also specialize in trusses, staircases and railings. We use only standing dead timber which reduces the amount of shrinkage and settling of your home.

We build your home as if it were our own, taking great care in the small details that make your home the dream you imagined.

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Product Literature
Color Brochure ....84 pages $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B177
Video-Introductory ....30 min. $5
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X177

Company Information
Founded in 1974, Satterwhite Log Homes harvests dead standing Engelmann spruce and manufacturers it into dry, stable house logs in a variety of sizes and profiles. Satterwhite logs have a 17 percent or lower moisture content for stability and a simplified construction system.

Satterwhite manufactures and warehouses tongue-and-groove decking, log siding, timbers to 40 feet in length and an array of tongue-and-groove lumber paneling for interior walls and ceilings.

Because Satterwhite Log Homes is an independent family-owned business involved in every phase of the log industry—from harvesting to manufacturing and custom building—there are no middlemen or franchise fees to drive up costs. Sales, warehousing and construction services are located at Satterwhite headquarters in Longview, Texas. The company also maintains mills and sales offices in Gunnison, Utah, and Pecos, New Mexico. Materials sales are available direct from British Columbia.

Satterwhite markets its homes throughout North America, the Far East and Europe.

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Company Information
Scandinavian Log & Timber Works is a company where quality and attention to detail are of the utmost attention. Limiting production to six to 10 structures per year allows owners Steven and Robin Estola to work closely with their clients from design through completion. This communication creates unique and distinctive homes, reflecting the owner's personality.

Primarily, Scandinavian Log & Timber Works binds in the traditional Scandinavian full-scribe style. Here, each log is individually notched, scribed and precisely fit to the natural contours of the log beneath it in the wall. The excellent craftsmen at Scandinavian Log & Timber Works can also produce squared log walls with dovetail corners or traditional timber frame packages with mortise-and-tenon joinery. Log or timber roof systems can be executed in any method from simple post and purlin to intricate hammerbeam trusses.

Log species used in Scandinavian Log & Timber Works homes are red and white pine and western red cedar. Log diameters range from 16 to 24 inches on the butt with a minimum 10-inch top.

Each home is electrically prepared and fully adjusted for settling. After being preassembled in the log yard, the home is disassembled and trucked to its destination where the same craftsmen who pre-built the home reassemble it on the foundation.

The company will sell anywhere in North America or overseas, but its primary market is the Midwest.

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Product Literature
Guide to
Handcrafted Log Construction..32 pages $7.50
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B290
Color Brochure ....Free

Company Information
Senty Handcrafted Log Homes, a family-owned business of six craftsmen, has produced 100 log projects to date. Their reputation, experience, craftsmanship and attention to detail have earned them projects ranging from complicated log structures to simple lake cabins to resort and commercial developments.

Logs include red pine and western red cedar.

Senty builds primarily in the Scandinavian full-scribe style and offers the double scribe cut lateral, a handcrafted tongue-and-groove cutting method. Saddle notches and laterals are also overscribed to maintain joint tightness after shrinkage. Wall logs are secured using 3/4-inch through-bolts and tensioning springs. All buildings are constructed to fully accommodate settling.

Corner notches are sealed with fiberglass and gasketing. Full-scribe laterals are sealed with either fiberglass and gasketing, or fiberglass and exterior caulk.

Window and door openings are precisely cut and fully prepared for window/door installation. Company craftsmen also build roof systems featuring both simple and complex roof trusses. Log roof purlins, log loft joists, split log stairs, spindle railings and log timber framing accents are available. These products can be incorporated into a Senty home or purchased separately to accent conventional construction.

All their work is custom and architectural and budgeting services are available. By request, Mike will visit your site to help determine the best location for the building and to meet your subcontractors to answer questions and discuss further plans for the project.

Senty offers a free color brochure. In addition, their Guide to Handcrafted Log Construction, available for $7.50, includes construction information, general prices and sample plans.

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Company Information
Since 1991, Sierra Log Homes has been designing, manufacturing and packaging beautiful custom log homes throughout the United States. Sierra Log Homes offers architectural excellence and affordability while staying competitive to standard constructed custom homes.

In 1995, SLH introduced The Most Complete Packaging System, creating the most comprehensive custom building material package in the industry. Packages include: custom designs; framing; windows; doors; roofing; cabinetry; plumbing fixtures; appliances; and stains. SLH receives direct purchasing from major manufacturers (Kohler, Whirlpool, KitchenAid, Weyerhauser, etc.), resulting in lower costs for our clients.

In 1997, the JUMBO hand-peeled 13-inch log was introduced, blending the cost efficiency of a milled log and the natural beauty of a large handcrafted log. The JUMBO 13-inch log's format is truly exciting and a must to experience.

This year, SLH is ready to introduce our new SUPER JUMBO hand-peeled 16-inch log. This log will give our clients the option to build a home that has that massive log home look.

SLH uses only the top-quality log components in the industry. We offer a wide array of log profiles: Swedish cope; D; double round; flat on flat in 6-by-6-inch, 6-by-8-inch, 6-by-10-inch, 6-by-12-inch, 8-by-8-inch and 8-by-12-inch; and 7- to 20-inch full rounds. Additional products include decorative logs, stairs, rails, siding, mantels, posts, trusses and heavy timber.

Sierra Log Homes would like the opportunity to design your log home or quote your designed home in any of our log home profiles.

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Company Information

The lessons learned from nearly 50 years of kicking around logs and sawdust have shaped our thinking and will give you a better log home. Our logs are hand-selected from dead-standing lodgepole pine and Douglas fir trees and then cured naturally for two to four years before we carefully mill them to your specifications. This allows us to build homes from some of the driest logs in the country and minimizes shrinking and checking more common in green timber.

Snake River Log Homes offers solid log construction in the Swedish cope profile in standard, rustic and hand-hewn finishes with sizes ranging from 6 to 14 inches in diameter. We also have rustic D-logs in several sizes utilizing butt-and-pass corners as well as half-log siding in the Swedish cope profile in all sizes, with or without full saddle-notch corners. Choose from handcrafted logs in either chink or full-scribe styles.

We specialize in round timber roof and loft structural systems and log trusses and can provide log railing in either milled or hand-hewn finishes. For joining we use Olympic Log Hog screws. We provide knotty pine tongue-and-groove, also aluminum clad wood windows, steel, composite or solid wood entry doors as well as solid wood interior doors and steel roofing, rigid foam roof insulation, stains, sealers and wood care products, chinking products and equipment, corn blasting media and equipment.

We offer construction, drafting and engineering services and we have dozens of standard designs to choose from. We can modify existing plans or help you design your own concept.

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Greensboro, NC; Inter. 40/85 at Exit #135
Charlotte, NC; Interstate 77 at Exit #36
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Atlanta, GA; Interstate 20 at Exit #88
Birmingham, AL; Interstate 65 at Exit #246
Jackson, MS; Interstate 55 at Exit #112
Louisville, KY; Interstate 64 at Exit #32

Other Mill Locations:
Southland Log Homes
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Product Literature
Live the Difference! ....52 pages......$8.50
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B147

Company Information

Recognized worldwide as a leader in log home design and construction, Southland Log Homes Inc. brings the traditional flavor of log home living combined with today's most advanced building technology to its clients. With more than 25 years' experience in the industry, Southland Log Homes backs its reputation for quality craftsmanship and attention to detail with an unprecedented lifetime limited warranty on all of its log home series.

Built from only the finest graded timbers, Southland's superior kiln-dried process ensures log uniformity and dimensional stability, resulting in tighter log fit and corner interlock. Southland uses only state-of-the-art milling and notching equipment which produces the most cost- and energy-efficient construction available.

Each engineered, precut log is carefully treated to protect against insects and decay, which allows Southland Log Homes to issue its unsurpassed lifetime limited warranty.

Southland offers four log wall styles. Rounded 8-inch logs can be milled with round or flat interior surfaces and are constructed with stockade corners. Dovetail corners are used with rectangular French Canadian or Appalachian chinked logs. Clients may choose from many standard plans or work with Southland's architectural department with their own custom design.

Southland offers a wide variety of options to fit each individual's taste or budget.

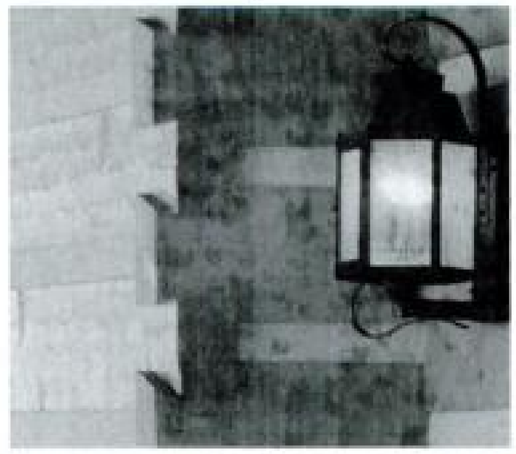
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Product Literature
Catalog & Planning Guide........50 pages $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B178
Video-"A Tradition of Quality" ......13 min $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore........#X178

Company Information

We at StoneMill Log Homes still live by the Old Smoky Mountain Tradition of fine workmanship and quality materials. Since 1974, our commitment to customer satisfaction has established StoneMill as a leader in the log home industry. First quality products coupled with professional labor service are a combination that is hard to find anywhere in the industry.

StoneMill Log Homes specializes in a 6-by-12 inch dovetail cornered log system that incorporates the tradition of hewn timbers with a 4-inch chink joint. We provide only premium, western hemlock timbers for the 6-by-12 inch log walls and guarantee up to 40 foot lengths without a splice to assure the highest level of structural stability. We obtain over 90 percent heartwood in the western hemlock log walls which provides more resistance to penetration by insects and decay-causing fungi.

For over a quarter century, customer service has been one of our primary goals. StoneMill offers a combination of specialized construction, technical and manufacturing professionals to assure proper installation of your log home. Our drafting department is experienced in log home design and will work with you to develop the log home plan that is just right for your family. We can help you create that warm, homespun look with a variety of floorplans ranging from spacious luxury homes to cozy vacation getaways. StoneMill can tailor any of our standard plans to meet your specifications or custom design your own plan from scratch.

To learn more about our unique products and services, please call our sales department or visit our web site at www.stonemill.com. Come see first hand why a StoneMill log home is a cut above the rest.

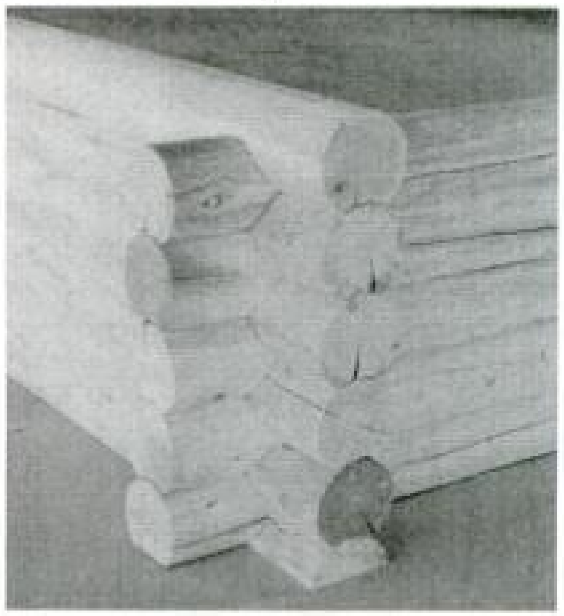
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Product Literature

Catalog ....8 pages ....Free

Company Information

Teton Peaks Log Homes manufactures lathe-turned Swedish-cope logs in random lengths and precut packages. We also now produce a special D-log profile in random lengths and precut packages. Logs are priced and sold on a linear foot basis. This allows individuals to select and buy only the material they need rather than be forced to buy a package that includes other material that can be purchased locally for less. Shipping is also minimized. Other materials are listed and sold as individual components if they are not readily available to you locally. We are happy to give itemized bids from your drawings, on materials we normally supply, at no cost to you.

We use only standing dead, dry, beetle-killed or fire-killed spruce, pine and fir logs. Dry logs minimize shrinkage and settling and make the material lighter to handle and ship. Standard log lengths are 8- to 16-feet long. Logs up to 28-feet long are available for roof systems, beams and special applications. All logs are grade stamped using Timber Products Inspection grading rules. Log diameters for Swedish cope logs are 7-, 8-, 9-, 10- and 12-inch. D logs come in 6-, 8- and 10-inch widths. The height of the D logs is 8 3/4 inches on all sizes, which cuts build time and makes the logs look larger.

Precision manufacturing, quality control and low cost have been the keys to steady growth for our company. Most of our dealer builder network offers full service to customers including drafting, engineering, construction, job-site assistance, code approvals, financing assistance, etc.

Contact our company for a free brochure, price list, dealer locations or any information you need.

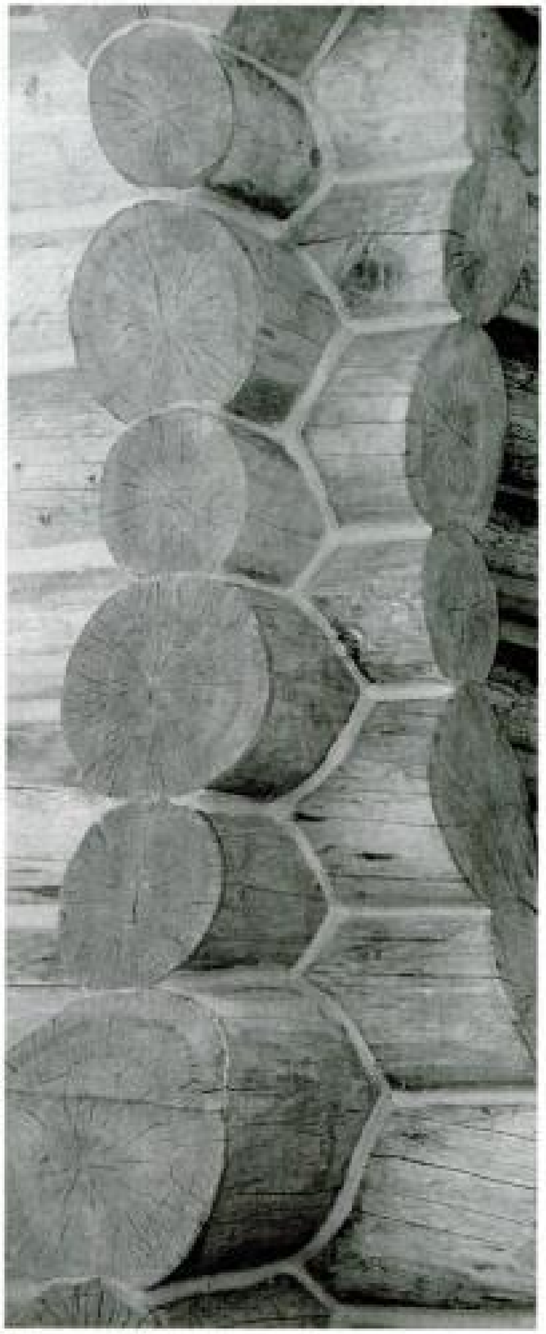
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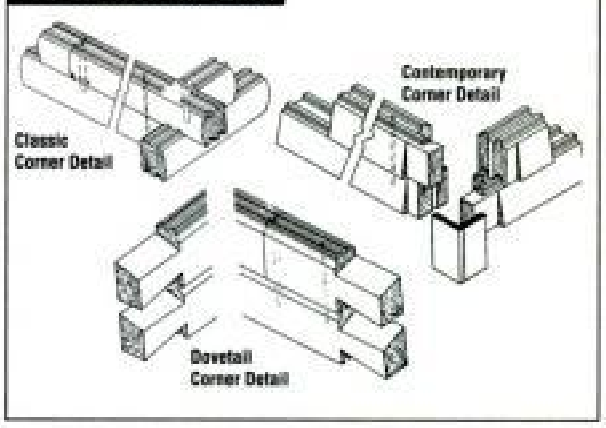
Our timeless, one-of-a-kind designs cater to your dreams. For more than 20 years we've been working with our clients to build homes that reflect their individual lifestyles and visions. Each home is built of the highest-quality materials and craftsmanship, right down to the custom details that make every home distinct and memorable.

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Product Literature

The Great American Adventure with Interactive CD........120 pages $14.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore......#BX194
The Great American Adventure with Video-American Dream...120 pages $14.95
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore......#BY194

Company Information

Timber Log, a manufacturing and sales facility was established in 1976. Custom design is our specialty. More than 60 standard designs are offered and can be modified to meet the needs of your family, your budget and your climate, as well as site conditions. We are prepared to assist in providing you a custom tailored home to meet your personal taste, budget and lifestyle. Choose from three building material packages: Economy, Homestead or our new Great American Adventure, which contains only the top brand name components.

Timber Log has more than 15 log style profiles with log sizes available up to a 12-by-12 inch. Timber Log provides you with a choice of five corner styles: saddle notch, Swedish cope, dovetail, contemporary and the most popular classic "D" notch/pass. Log species selections are western red cedar, northern white cedar, eastern white pine and bald cypress.

Each log home package is architecturally designed by computer to comply with national building codes—BOCO, ICBA and SBCC (special engineering is available for resorts, commercial buildings as well as residential projects). Every design is integrated into our state-of-the-art computerized production equipment to assure that each home package is consistent with the design chosen and meets our high standards of quality.

Timber Log has been exporting since 1989 and has received four Export 20 Awards from the North Carolina World Trade Association. We are a proud member of the Log Homes Council.

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Company Information

Since 1993, Timberstone Log Homes has specialized in handcrafting full-scribe log homes, cottages, signs and furniture. Hewn dovetail, full round chinked, piece-on-piece and open timber styles are also available. In addition, we supply custom sawn lumber, stains and specialized associated products.

Located in the famous Annapolis Valley of Nova Scotia, we have the ability to ship our packages within the province, interprovincially or internationally. We are pleased to announce that we have representation in Germany. Please contact Andreas Vollmers for information at 0049 4774 893 and to view his model home as delivered from Novia Scotia in 1998.

Using native pine logs that we have chosen and select cut from the forest, we handcraft log walls, floor systems, stairways, furniture and signs to the customer's specifications.

When the logs reach our pre-fabrication site they are hand peeled with drawknives or spuds, sanded, scribed and notched to form a solid wall system in accordance with the plans of your choice. Our experienced craftsmen take pride in knowing they provide the tightest-fitting joinery in all projects we complete.

With our in-house CAD, we provide clients with customized, detailed engineer-stamped plans.

All log packages include scribe-fit logs re-erected on the final site with window and door openings cut and flared back. Electrical holes are drilled and all necessary flats are cut to accept second-story framing and rafters.

We take pride in our craftsmanship and strive to provide you with the beautiful log home of your dreams while respecting your planned budget. All of our buildings are constructed in accordance with the International Log Builders Association log building standards.

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12 inch Saddle-Lok Corner Detail
Energy Log Construction System

Product Literature

Tomahawk Log & Country ......152 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ...... #B219

Company Information

Tomahawk Log & Country Homes has emerged as a leader among the energy efficient log and country home manufacturers. Our Energy Log system meets or exceeds all national building codes, qualifies for all types of financing and offers the ultimate in energy efficiency along with the rustic charm of a real log home.

The Energy Log system uses conventional 2-by-6-inch frame construction with 6-inch fiberglass insulation, 1-inch foil-face Tuff-R insulation and a choice of exterior finish materials that includes half logs, colonial logs and cedar siding.

On the inside is a vapor barrier and a choice of finish material, such as half log, knotty pine, drywall, wallpaper or wainscoting. The Energy Log system can have up to R-38 walls and over R-40 roofs.

The customer can choose from the Cross-Lok, Verti-Lok or Saddle-Lok corner systems. These are available in 10-inch average diameters or 12-inch average diameter logs. The Verti-Lok system employs a solid vertical beam into which the corners of the horizontal logs are mortised. The Cross-Lok is a version of butt-and-pass corner. By special order, other sizes and styles are available, including beveled edge and wavy edge cedar.

Corners are pre-cut and logs are banded together into bundles with wood spacers. The spacing between logs allows air circulation while drying and permits the logs to be dip treated. The treatment helps prevent mildew, weathering and is EPA-approved. Logs are air-dried for approximately six months to one year for an average moisture content of 14 to 20 percent at shipping.

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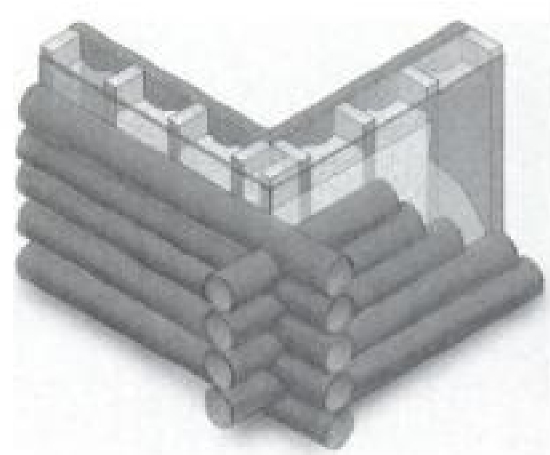
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Product Literature

Town & Country Living ....20+pages ....Free
Photo CD..Free

Company Information

For 57 years, Town & Country Cedar Homes has prided itself on designing and building some of the most luxurious and sought-after homes in the nation. Our custom cedar homes have won numerous awards, including the coveted Neiman Marcus endorsement as the builder of the finest custom wood homes in America.

The Town & Country process is designed to exceed your expectations and to give you the most rewarding home purchase and construction experience possible. At Town & Country, we know there is no such thing as a typical homebuilder. That's why our homes are as unique as you are. From delightfully simple chalets to palatial lodge styles, Town & Country homes reflect your true love of nature, your desire to take the road less traveled.

At Town & Country we respect your unique vision and your particular American dream. We respect your desire for excellence in products and services, for honesty and fairness every step of the way. When we ask people why they love working with Town & Country they repeatedly say integrity, quality of plans and the Town & Country building process. We understand that you want peace of mind. We know you want dependable delivery, timely service and a commitment to your project. In short, you want respect.

Have questions? We encourage you to contact us with them. If they're important to you, they're important to us.

The company that builds your home must be responsive and responsible. Let Town & Country help you on your quest for comfort, security and peace of mind. Your vision will lead us; our commitment to your satisfaction will bring you home.

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Product Literature
Planning and Designing Workbook $12
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B333

Company Information
When it comes to providing the finest handcrafted log homes, Treehouse Log Homes stands in the forefront. For more than 20 years our handcrafters have been dedicated to constructing the finest Scandinavian full-scribe homes featuring the Swedish cope shrink-to-fit.

All of Treehouse Log Homes' timber is select cut from the higher elevations of Northern Canada during the winter months and is air dried for six to 12 months. The moisture content of our logs is at 19 percent or less. Over the years, our clients have been experiencing a settling factor of between 3 to 5 inches depending upon the climate in which the home is placed.

Thanks to skilled employees and a stable supply of high quality logs, our crafters are able to complete most of our buildings within six to eight weeks.

Our log home shell packages range from $35 to $50 per square foot to provide you with the most complete log package on the market. We include the following items in our packages: custom design work from our in-house draftsman, engineering, log delivery to your building site, crane services and the re-erection services of our crew to ensure the quality of our work.

From the moment we meet you and through the life of your home we make a commitment to you, not only as a client but as a partner.

Whether you have been dreaming of a cozy cabin or a lavish lodge, Treehouse Log Homes can turn your dream into a reality.

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Product Literature
Brochure ....Free

Company Information
True Log Homes has built handcrafted log homes for 29 years from Douglas fir and red cedar. We are able to get large logs up to 20 and 24 inches. We build full scribe Swedish cope with a shrink-to-fit saddle notch and the chinked style with the saddle notch. We also build a 6-by-12-inch and 8-by-12-inch dovetail joint house with timber frame roof systems.

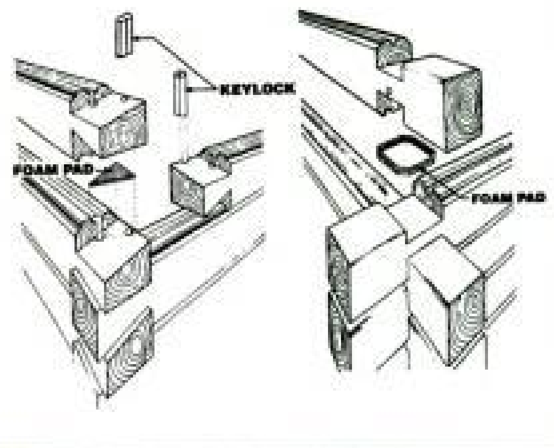
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Product Literature
Planbook ....60 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B307

Company Information
True North Log Homes Inc. has developed a uniquely engineered log wall system. The company has 14 patents in the United States and Canada.

True North's patented keylock, when inserted, pulls the log interfaces together. Over time the log shrinks toward the keylock, ensuring an airtight seal.

Logs come in the following full sizes: 6-by-12 inch, 8-by-12 inch and 10-by-12 inch. These logs are given a 3/4-inch-high double tongue and groove and are flood coated with a water-based primer to waterproof the logs and keep them clean.

Settling allowances are made throughout. Through bolts are employed that run from the foundation to the upper plate. Each bolt has a compression spring mounted at the top, resulting in no customer adjustments.

True North offers a 25-year warranty against air infiltration on their patented Key-Lock Airseal Corner system.

Dealers are located throughout the United States and Canada.

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Company Information
Tucker Mountain Log Homes follows the oldest, time-honored traditions of construction, craftsmanship and precision, full-scribe joinery. With lots of hard work, nurturing care and an exacting eye for perfection, handcrafted log homes easily compete with the finest sculptures as truly beautiful works of art. They are unique and return us to a time when life was simpler and slower, to be savored and enjoyed.

Our manufacturing yard is in New Brunswick, Canada. Our log are white pine, red pine and spruce. We use what nature provides and improve on it. Our experienced, professional log craftsmen, engineers, architectural technicians and friendly customer-focused support staff ensure that you receive the individual attention you deserve from design to completion. Give us a call. Log homes are the favorite topic of conversation here. Log package quotes include delivery and reassembly by our experienced crews.

We also offer log decor to accent your home. Custom cabinets, log rails and custom staircases are just a few of the products we offer.

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Company Information
Unique Timber Corp. really is a unique company. They build with vacuum kiln dry logs and timbers in a covered production area – the only company in North America to offer this approach to building. Vacuum kiln dry logs and timbers are dimensionally stable and afford our clients the very best results. From the moment the construction process begins in our more than 50,000 square feet of covered production areas, the logs and timbers are never directly exposed to the harmful effects of the sun, rain or snow. The results are exceptional and Unique has continued to build on its reputation for building excellence.

They have built several hundred homes and commercial resort structures throughout North America, in Europe and in Asia. More importantly, they have built a greater amount of wonderful and enduring relationships. From the time a client first contacts Unique until the last detail is completed, Unique's approach is to make the building process as easy and seamless as possible. Effective communication between all members of the design/build team, careful planning of the overall project, expert craftsmanship, and realistic, on-time scheduling all contribute to a successful project.

Unique can provide full architectural design services from their in-house design studio or will collaborate with other design professionals in a supportive role. Each project is also enhanced by a project facilitator who creates a direct link between the client, design and production. This person is dedicated to scrutinizing every detail and coordinating our work with the other project participants. This approach ultimately makes the building process easier.

Unique has a rigorous and certified quality assurance program – ISO 9001/2000. We don't just do what we say we're going to do – it's corroborated by an independent third party. Quality assurance entrenches a standard of building practice – the same quality goes into every house big or small. Dreams, after all, come in all sizes.

Unique also belongs to the International Log Builders Association and supports their Log Building Standards. Unique is a supportive member of the Timber Frame Business Council and fully subscribes to their Principles of Practice. Unique also offers certified and graded logs and timbers in every project. Unique is fully insured and includes a certificate of insurance cover note with every contract.

Unique has sufficient production capability to respond to projects of any size and level of complexity and has significant experience in working with clients around the world.

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Company Information
A Very Unique Log Home Inc. has been designing and crafting custom log homes for more than 20 years. All our homes exhibit superb craftsmanship combined with keen attention to detail. We specialize in the use of cats-eyes and burl logs for a truly unique rustic look. An uncanny knack for exercising original and wildly creative ideas in the building process without compromising structural or functional integrity has gained A Very Unique Log Home wide recognition. Many who have seen our particular style and technique label it as an art rather than a craft.

We here at A Very Unique Log Home are proud of our work and want to insure that your home is finished as it was envisioned. We are always available at all stages of the construction for advice and assistance. Log construction presents many challenges to new builders and buyers and we want to make the building process as easy, efficient and cost-effective as possible. We welcome rough sketches, floorplans and/or full blueprints to submit a price quote to you for the log shell portion of the building.

It takes years of training to be able to handcraft a chinked style log home. The expertise comes in the fitting of floor systems, roof systems and log trusses. These are all natural features of a chinked style log home. Our typical corner is a saddle notch shrink-to-fit. We use flexible latex chinking with foam backer rod, which fits snugly into the chink (space between each log), to insure no air leaks. This type of chinking stays flexible for years. Many people ask about Scandinavian scribe style. We prefer the versatility, lower cost and less settling of the logs associated with tight chinked style.

A Very Unique Log Home builds each project according to the requests of the owner. Each home is custom; therefore, it is not possible to offer a price list. However, we have found that most projects can be estimated on a per square foot basis while considering design complexity factors.

A Very Unique Log Home is a licensed log grading facility, inspected frequently by Timber Products Inspection. All structural logs are graded for strength, and a certificate of grading is provided to the buyer upon completion.

A Very Unique Log Home is located near Red Lodge, Montana. Our log yard is located approximately 7 miles north of Red Lodge on Highway 212. We welcome you to stop in and visit us. We'd love to show you our homes in the area. Please contact us to set up a tour.

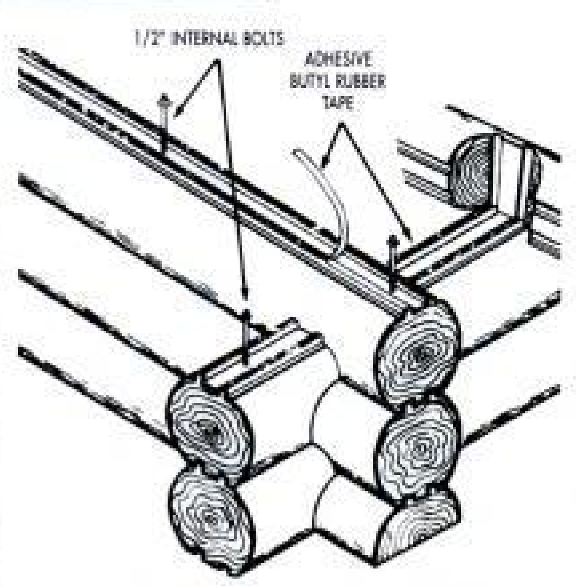
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Product Literature
Voyageur Log Home
Planning Guide ....16 pages $6

Company Information
Voyageur Log Homes is a rapidly growing company beginning in 1983, specializing in custom designed 8- and 10-inch diameter log homes pre-cut to your specifications. Our mill turns nature's most beautiful building materials into your dream home, the home that expresses you and your lifestyle in a most distinctive way.

The manufacturing facility is located in the heart of the Norway pine and white pine timber region. The hardy pine is abundantly available and only the highest quality logs are selected for use in a Voyageur log home. Our goal is to provide you, the customer, with the highest quality log home at a reasonable price.

Voyageur Log Homes offers a range of services. Design and building assistance is available for the do-it-yourselfer. Homes can be purchased as log wall packages with referral to one of our experienced crews to complete your home. Individual attention is given to special designs and requests.

Voyageur Log Homes offers a planning package designed to guide a home buyer from the initial dream stage through the initial building stage. Included is a step-by-step planning guide to help organize and transform thoughts and ideas into a custom floorplan. Several distinctive floorplans and related prices are also included.

Voyageur Log Homes utilizes the most advanced log building system known today, featuring: 16-foot standard lengths, with lengths up to 36 feet also available; extra-wide double tongue-and-groove logs; exclusive tongue-and-groove saddle-notched corners; adhesive butyl rubber double air seal; floor-to-ceiling internal bolts; log purlins; choice of 8- or 10-inch logs; log trusses; log rafters; D-log and rectangular log with dovetail corners. Voyageur Log Homes' rigid quality control assures that you own the finest log home available. We also make half-log siding, 8 or 10 inch, and log stairs and railings.

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Product Literature
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Company Information
At Walden 19th Century Antique Log Homes, we take great pride in our craftsmanship and quality. Scott Kelley, owner and founder of Walden, has been building antique log homes for more than 20 years. He still closely supervises every home we build.

All of our homes are built with antique logs—logs that were hand hewn and hand notched over a century ago. Cut from the hearts of the biggest trees on the frontier, our logs function as well today as they did hundreds of years ago, and with their classic patina, look even better today. Ripe with history, our logs have the added benefit of being recycled, thus eliminating the need to fell live trees.

When these time-tested materials are transformed into unique, gracious homes which blend our American heritage with modern comforts and amenities—like ample, light-filled kitchens, spacious bedrooms and luxurious, state-of-the-art bathrooms—the final effect is stunning.

Just recently, Walden was selected by Alan Wanzenberg, one of the top architectural design firms in the world, to do the log work for one of their client's homes. We also just completed a project for the Vail Alpine Garden Foundation, which is part of the Betty Ford Clinic.

Walden will work with your custom house plans or can help you design your plans if you prefer. We build your log home on our site initially, then dismantle the structure and ship the logs to your site, anywhere in the country. There, a Walden advisor will oversee the reassembly of the structure by your contractor.

If you would like more information and a free brochure, please contact us toll-free at 888-332-LOGS (5647).

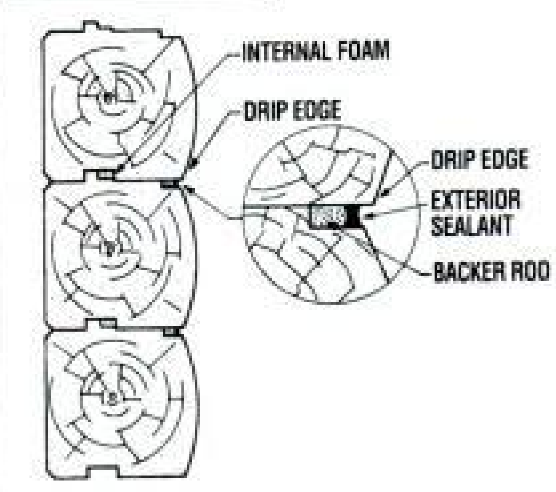
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Product Literature
Catalog...................................70 pages $12
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B152
Video ....7 min. $4
Sales Representative Package $14

Company Information
Ward Cedar Log Homes, America's oldest log home manufacturer, is celebrating its 81st year. In 1923, when Bruce Ward invented his special interlocking milling technique, he created Ward Cedar Log Homes. The premier company in the industry was founded. Ward today builds log homes with the craftsmanship and quality of 80 years of experience. Using only premium northern white cedar logs, Ward homes are attractive, virtually maintenance free and energy efficient.

Ward sells complete packages that include quality components such as natural wood interior walls, Morgan six-panel interior doors, cedar window and door trim, hand-peeled purlins, beamed ceilings, full-log gables, roofing shingles and log sealants. For added quality, Ward's complete package includes such national brands as Andersen Windows, Morgan doors and Schlage locksets. All logs and trim are precision cut and numbered for easy construction. Logs are 6-by-6 inch or 6-by-8 inch and are D-shaped to create a flat interior wall surface.

To maximize energy efficiency, Ward engineers developed the Ward Comfort System 5. This unique, five-point log profile system provides tongue-and-groove joinery, drip edges, closed-cell foam-gasket barriers, external foam backer rods and exterior caulking. Ward also uses a specially engineered interlocking butt-and-pass corner design to further ensure energy efficiency.

Ward also features its Comfort System 2000 framed log construction for building in extreme climate conditions or in areas with prescriptive energy codes. With an R-value of over 30, this 2-by-6-inch framed wall construction includes 6-inch fiberglass batt insulation, one inch of rigid insulation, 2-by-6-inch log siding with full log corners and 1-by-6-inch tongue-and-groove white cedar interior paneling.

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Product Literature
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Company Information
White Eagle Building Systems offers a full line of log, timberframed and hybrid combinations of building systems. With construction of outstanding craftsman influence and full devotion to individual and custom design, each project showcases a unique and personalized approach to fine rustic elegance. Architectural blends of traditional and contemporary elements, utilization of Scandinavian full-scribe log work, round log post and beam as well as squared beam timber framing and aesthetically pleasing selections of stone, metal, glass and more, highlight our commitment and missioin. Milled log packages in many profiles and wood species, with full TPI grading and kiln drying are also available, as well as insulated formed concrete wall systems.

With projects dating back three decades, our company continues to be a full service design and build firm. From initial meetings and site visit, conceptual sketches to full working blueprints and planning to full turn-key construction, White Eagle also offers a full and complete range of professional construction services. Small cottage and cabin designs, starter and move up homes and large estate residences and commercial structures are all offered.

In addition to full design, reset or turn-key options, White Eagle also offers a 100 percent guaranteed complete materials package. If you have your own builder or intend to act as your own general contractor, ongoing consultation to assist you throughout the entire process is also an included service. Our goal is always to deliver our personal best on each project.

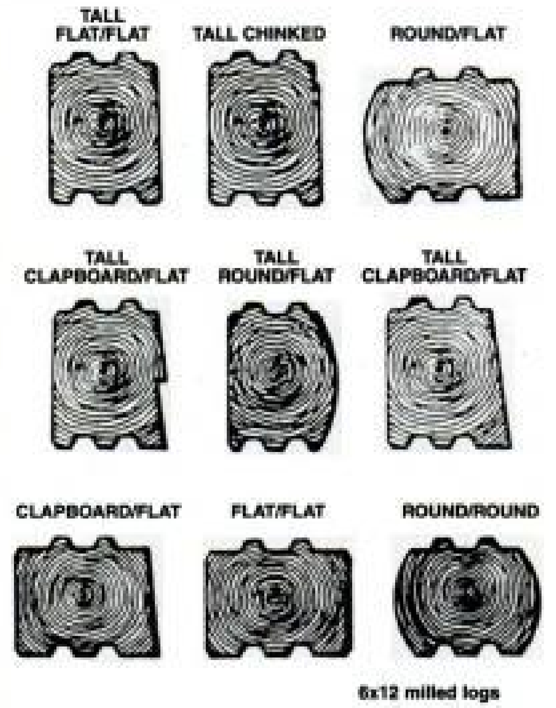
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Product Literature
Brochure ....Free

Company Information
Wholesale Log Homes Inc. offers you a serious choice in building a better log home for less money. We offer high quality solid logs and laminated logs for any size plan design.

Log Homes Council graded logs, prompt service and 32 years of log experience can make the difference for you. Buy smarter.

You know what it is you want to build before you begin shopping companies, as a rule. We offer you the money-saving option of buying and shipping only what you really need for your log home...logs and timbers. All major building supplies, such as doors and windows, can be purchased from a local building products dealer, saving you thousands of dollars in company markup and shipping charges. Make your own package and get the best prices from Wholesale Log Homes Inc. and merchants in your area.

We produce the finest grade heartwood eastern white pine logs and wood products. Our logs are sold by the linear foot. All necessary cutting to length is done on the building site. Logs are available in 6- and 8-inch thicknesses with your choice of shape and tongue and groove. We also have screws, spikes, pegs and log foam sealant to aid in the construction of your log home. Five styles of log sidings are available for interior and exterior uses. We provide detail corner notching for 8-inches tall and 6-by-12-inch logs.

Ron Wolfe, president of Wholesale Log Homes Inc., is a log home professional. A licensed building contractor in North Carolina, he has more than 25 years of experience in building log homes and he's gained a reputation for excellence of product.

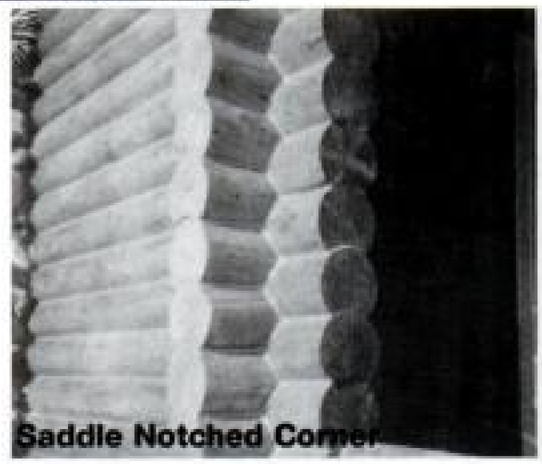
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Product Literature
Plan and Product Brochure ....Free
Video...$5

Company Information
Wholesale Logs of America (formerly El Dorado Log Homes) sells logs, log components and related wood products wholesale to the public nationwide. In business since 1987, we have sold more then 500 log homes, cabins and lodges from 196 square feet to 12,000 square feet.

Our product lists include, but are not limited to:
- House logs with a Swedish cope, saddle-notched corner
- 8 to 12 inches in diameter
- half log siding with full-log corners
- 6-by-8 D-Logs
- Tongue-and-groove siding
- 1-by-6 U rustic paneling
- Sashco hardware products

Our logs are milled from dead standing lodgepole pine and Engelmann spruce with an average moisture content that is less than 19 percent.

Dealer inquiries are invited.

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Product Literature

Wilderness Log Homes-
Essence of Log Home Living..120 pages $15
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B155

Company Information

Wilderness Log Homes has been a leader in the log home industry for nearly three decades. Our homes offer an unparalleled level of quality and style, and each of our exceptional models can be customized to your specific needs. Or bring us an idea and our designers will transform your concept into a working design.

Wilderness offers full logs or half logs with full log corners in the highest quality species of cedar and pine. You may choose handcrafted or other distinctive finishes, in a great variety of log size and corner combinations.

Half logs are part of the insulated log wall system originated by Wilderness, called Insul-R™. Insul-R™ provides a full log exterior look, backed by a 2-by-6-inch stud wall. Six inches of fiberglass is packed between the studs and covered by one inch of foam insulation to seal out heat and cold.

Full logs are precision sawn with a wide, flat surface or coped for increased stability. Corners are coped or V-notched with a precut miter for total structural integrity, and together with all log courses, are securely fastened with lag bolts. As the logs are stacked and fastened, they're also sealed with memory foam gasketing and caulk.

We believe in providing outstanding service along with one of the industry's most complete packages and are represented by 50 dealers nationwide. Our award-winning Planning Guide has complete details, plus hundreds of photos, floorplans and tips on creating a home that is the perfect reflection of you and your family's style. Wilderness Log Homes is part of The Wilderness Company, today's authority on log home living. In addition to private homes, The Wilderness Company also delivers commercial buildings throughout the United States and internationally.

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Product Literature

Wisconsin Log & Cedar Homes ..145 pp $12.97
Video-Step Into Your Dream ......15 min. $9.97

Company Information

Perfect. The ultimate home experience. Instead of running from place to place trying to find the perfect light fixture and kitchen cabinets, the staff at Wisconsin Log Homes Design Center make the entire process of designing, building and decorating your home easy and efficient.

Passionate about the log home lifestyle, we are devoted to refining and perfecting it for our clients. We are famous for originating the Thermal-Log™ building system, which eliminates log settling and slippage, and has become phenomenally popular. Our renowned super insulated six-inch thick core wall makes plumbing and electrical wiring easier to install and dramatically reduces heating costs.

Wisconsin Log Homes is also famous for our engineering processes that allow for large expanses of glass and window walls with our very popular king post accents.

With your choice of 20 log profiles and unlimited interior wall finishes, you can create the perfect log home look. We are masters at creating functional floorplans for our custom home clients and guiding them through the process. We have hundreds of plans available, from 1,100-square-foot cabins to sophisticated 6,000-square-foot homes and beyond.

And, if you need it fast, we have homes with predesigned upscale options that are factory crafted for fast on-site assembly.

We also employ our own building crews and interior designer; if you want the ultimate home experience, we can coordinate all the details for you. From start to finish, you'll appreciate friendly, small-town service with the proven experience to complete even the most sophisticated home design.

We invite you to visit our Design Center in Green Bay. You'll love our impressive array of furnishings, and discover why Wisconsin Log Homes is the ultimate home experience.

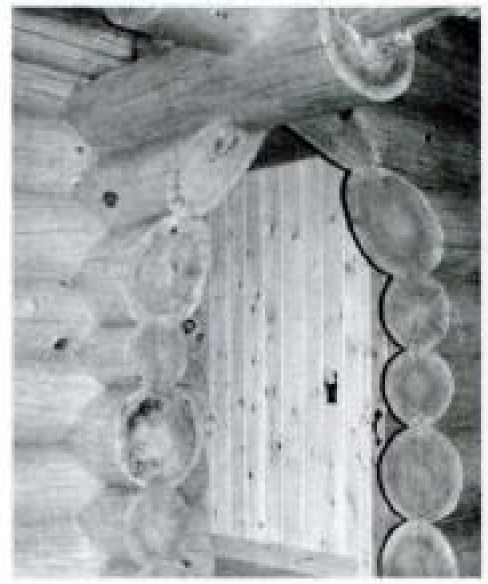
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Company Information

The Wooden House Co. Ltd. has been designing and building handcrafted log and timber frame homes since 1986. Founder and president John Nininger is recognized in New England, the northeast and beyond as one of the premier builders of handcrafted log homes.

We have built just about every log style and combination of log and timber styles that one could imagine, always using full length, large diameter white pine logs. And now we are also offering full-scribe round log shells built with 15-inch, kiln-dried pine or Douglas fir logs. Our in house custom designs are usually quite traditional with special accents and modifications tailored to the clients needs and wishes. On other projects the architects we worked with called us to go beyond the normal systems or routines of log construction. Rectangular oak timbers interwoven with round pine logs in a roof structure on top of full scribe round log walls was one successful outcome. Another involved a round log roof system on top of full-scribed hewn log dovetail walls. More often than not log gable end walls are a must for the client. This is where the horizontal wall logs continue up past the top of the eve walls and go all the way to the highest point of the house. Because of the differential settling issues involved with log gable ends, many builders are reluctant to tackle them, and rightfully so if they are not familiar with the inherent issues. Here at The Wooden House Co., however, we have successfully built many homes with horizontal log gable ends that have settled properly and stayed tight. Our systems are structurally superior and aesthetically pleasing, often dramatically so.

Sometimes our clients already own a log home when they contact us, and they are looking for a way to add on to the home they already love. The several that we have done to date have made the original homes into everything the owners wanted, and more.

We pride ourselves on working one on one with our client or clients architect and giving each project the individualized attention it deserves. And we always strive to build to the very best of our abilities, utilizing all of the resources available thus our long time memberships in both the International Log Builders Association and the Timber Framers Guild of North America.

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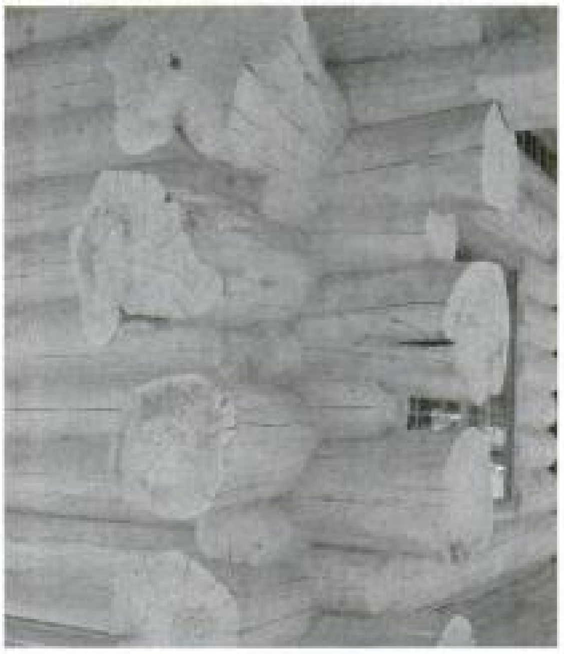
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Product Literature

Catalog.................................29 pages $10
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B355
Video $6.50
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CD $5.95
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Company Information

WoodsCrest Log Homes is the premier builder of quality custom handcrafted log homes. Our beautiful log packages have been reassembled throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Japan and South Korea. We have designed and delivered more than 150 log homes in Colorado alone! Our logyard is located in 93 Mile House, British Columbia, Canada and is the largest in the area. Last year, we produced more than 40 custom homes and commercial buildings.

Our logs are massive, full-length Engelmann spruce, Douglas fir or western red cedar logs with 12-by-14-inch average diameter, with larger or smaller logs available. Timber Products Inspection grades and stamps every log we use. We use in excess of 70 percent premium graded logs (the highest grade) in our packages as opposed to most of our competitors who reserve the costly premium logs only for the structural components. We offer several corner notches: Norwegian shrink-fit, interscribed flared ends, saddle, dovetail and diamond wedge. Styles include scribe-fit, hand-hewn square logs, full-chink log post and bean and timber framed.

Our Legacy Series (pictured above) provides the highest quality artisanship and components. We specialize in creating unique log homes using western red cedar flared ends, unique carvings, character logs and specialty items for the discerning client. We also provide custom cedar or fir windows and doors, Sikkens' stain and discounts for installed structural insulated roof panels.

WoodsCrest Log Homes provides personalized services and will work closely with you from concept to completion. Your blueprints can also be converted into virtual tours. Architectural services are available for large or complex designs.

We have a new web site with five virtual tours, a new plansbook and video and an upcoming CD. Dealership opportunities are available worldwide.

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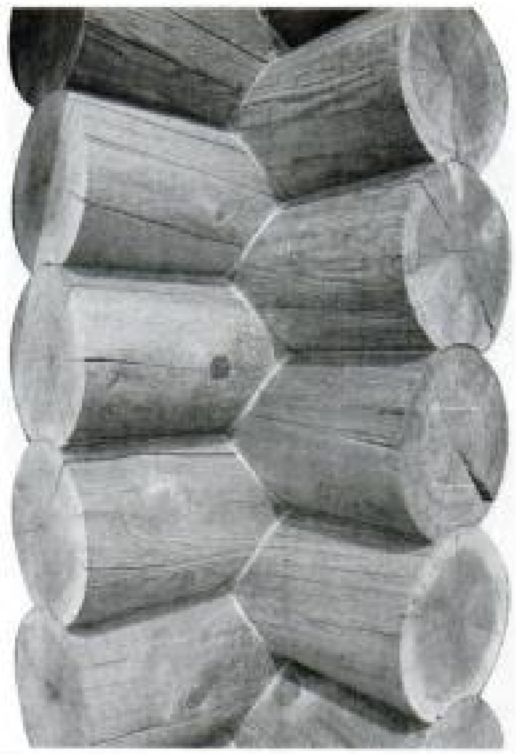
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Yellowstone at Deep Creek Lake is a western Maryland-based company with its attention focused on a warm and friendly personal touch with you, the customer. Unlike many companies in our industry, you will meet and talk with the owners. We research, specify and order our products the way we want them. The owners are onsite to perform and supervise the work. This personal initiative is an integral part of building our reputation as a leader in our industry.

Yellowstone at Deep Creek Lake has carefully chosen to use naturally seasoned timber for its stable nature. All wood will reach a moisture and stability equilibrium with its surrounding environment. Forest, nutrient availability, climate and standing dead harvest are key elements to ensuring stability of the log products used in your log home.

Independent inspecting, grading and stamping further ensures suitability and structural integrity of all log components used in our log homes. Hands-on logsmithing and project management through the entire process of building a custom log home is the final element in the way Yellowstone at Deep Creek Lake is building our homes one log at a time and our reputation, one family at a time.

Please contact us at our Deep Creek Lake model home! Thank you in advance for your interest in our log homes.

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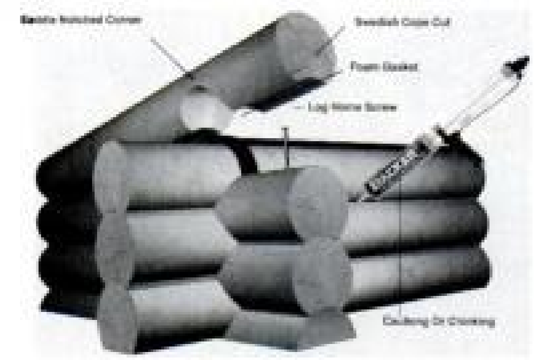
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Product Literature

Catalog.................................44 pages $6
Available through the Log Home Living Bookstore ......#B206

Company Information

Yellowstone Log Homes use logs which are naturally dried over several years. Because of the dryness of our log, we have very little settling after the logs are erected. A gasket is placed between the logs and then spiked or screwed together. We believe the Yellowstone log home to be one of the tightest in the business. We have been manufacturing log homes since 1962. We sell retail and wholesale, but do specialize in wholesale to dealers, builders, etc. Logs are machined to uniform diameter of 6-, 7-, 8-, 9-, 10-, 12- or 14-inches. Half-log wall siding is also available.

Yellowstone Log Homes is a member of the Log Homes Council. A book of standard plans is available at a cost of $6. It contains a wide variety of plans, but if you choose we can furnish you logs for your own custom design at no extra cost.

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BUILDER/DEALER **MARKETPLACE**

In this Marketplace section, the State-by-State Directory and the Suppliers Directory that follow contain listings of log home producers, representatives, builder-dealers and suppliers of various products and services. These people represent an integral element in the construction and completion of your log home. Review this section for viable options of companies and individuals who can contribute to your project. For your convenience, we have divided these listings into two directories:



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State-by-State Directory

The first section lists the sales offices and model homes for log home producers, representatives and builder-dealers, arranged in alphabetical order by state and Canadian province. Of the more than 1,100 advertisements that we've included, most listings contain the company's name, address and phone number for your convenience.

Utilizing the State-by-State Directory, you'll be able to locate, quickly and easily, the professional who can help you build your log home. Most listings also include useful information relating to the representative's services—whether you're looking for a local log home manufacturer or a builder-dealer out of state.

Suppliers Directory

The second section, which starts on page 418, lists more than 210 companies that supply products and services associated with building and maintaining today's log homes. Each of the listings includes a brief description of the company's products and services, along with information on how to contact them by phone or mail.

Companies listed in the Suppliers Directory span the entire range of products and services that are available to log home builders and owners. You'll find everything you'll need—from products to properly chink and seal your logs to the latest rustic fixtures and furnishings to make your house a home.

So take your time perusing the following pages. Identify the companies who make sense for you, and then contact them to schedule a detailed discussion on your log home project. You'll be off to a running start in no time!

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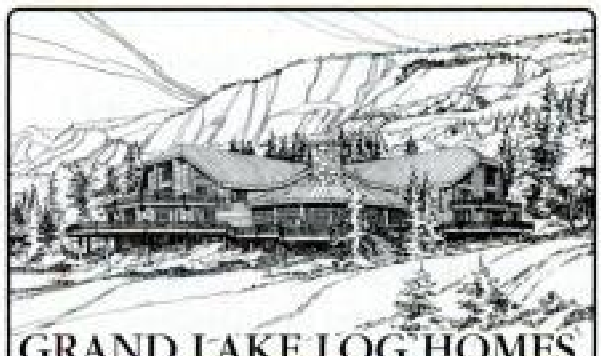
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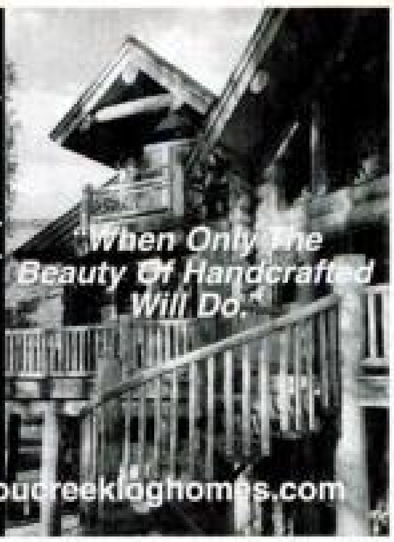
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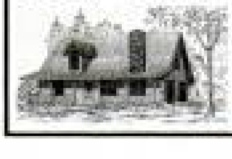
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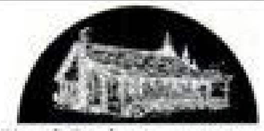
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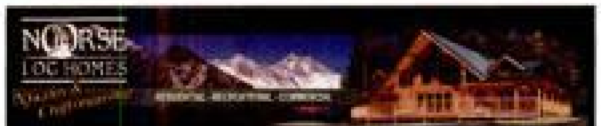
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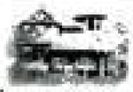
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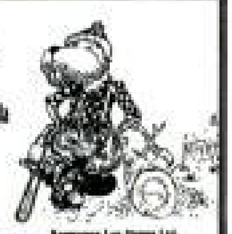
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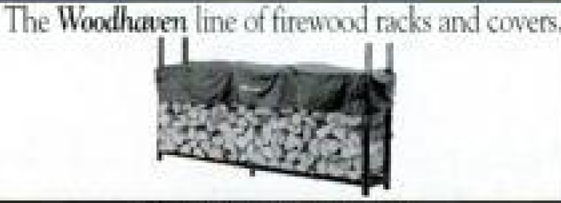


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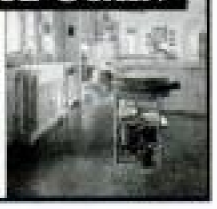
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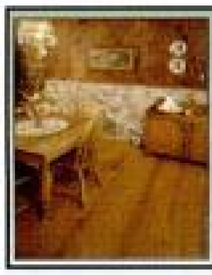
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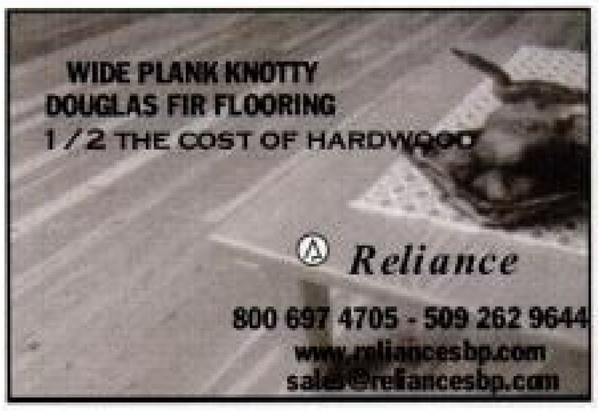


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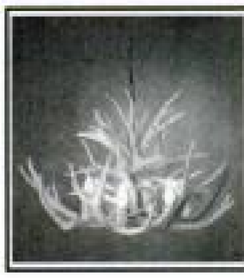


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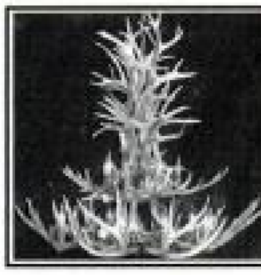
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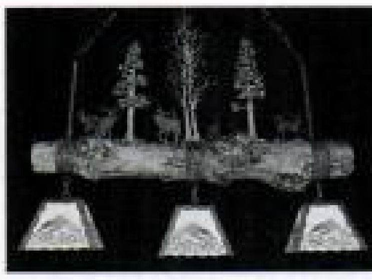
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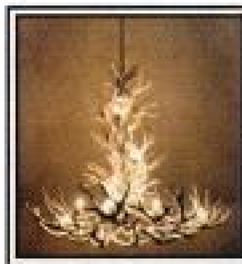


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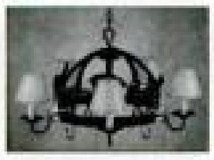
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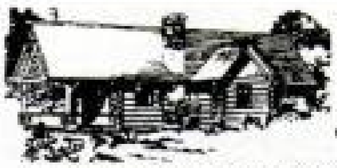
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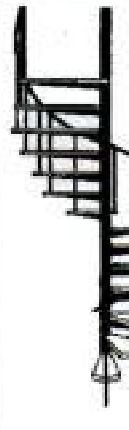


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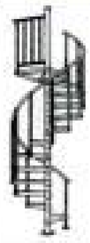
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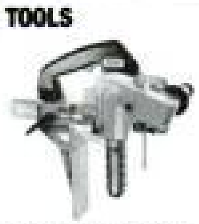
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